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# Western Worker

PEOPLE'S CHAMPION OF LIBERTY, PROGRESS AND PEACE

Sit-Down Reaches Hawaii

HILO, T. H .- The sit-down strike reached the Hawaiian Islands when 30 women laundry workers refused to budge from their wash tubs after they halted work and demanded hourly wage increases ranging from three to five cents,

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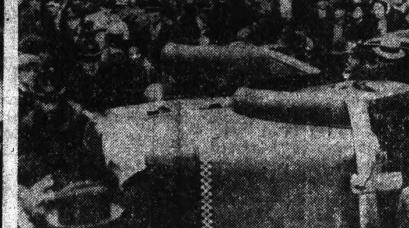
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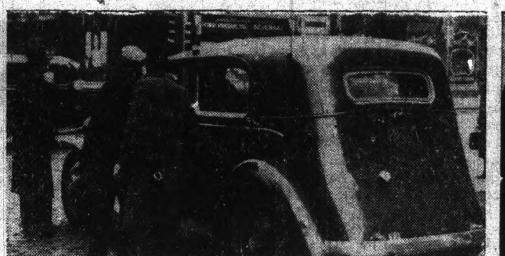
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# In Major Advances; Ruseist Troops Rebel











IN THE NATION-WIDE WAVE OF UNION ORGANIZATION extreme sert, a union serenade. United Auto Workers Union 12-piece band plays before Detroit court house, pickets parade around building in protest of injunction against Chrysler strikers. Next, another CIO victory. General Electric recognizes CIO. United Electrical and Radio Workers Union; James B. Carey, 28-year-old union president discusses union demands with General Electric vice president Bur roughs. Next photo: Scab cruise ends; a Checker cab overturned in the Chicago taxi strike. Next to last photo, a Chicago taxi driver signs up with the union. Last photo: Auto union members inside Detroit court in protest against Chrys ler injunction.

## 12,000 Out Against Plan HOT Layoffs AFL Members to be Considered as Considered as

SAN FRANCISCO-More than 12,000 WPA workers on both white collar and labor projects were on strike Thursday in Alameda and San Francisco Counties as a three-county strike call became effective. The strike was spreading.

Another thousand were expected to be out in Contra

L. A. 10 Ballot off WPA payrolls in California Tuesday

LOS ANGELES - Vote for these candidates next Tuesday. They have all been endorsed by one or more of the following groups: Co-ordinating Council of Progressive Groups, Municipal League, Continuance Committee for United Political Action.

The Central Labor Council while it has not come out with an endorsement for Mayor, has endorsed a number of the candidates included here. Vote For These

For Mayor: John Anson Ford. ward N. Robinson; 2nd district: SHASTA Henry J. Alberti; 3rd district; Richard R. Burke; 4th district: no opposition; 5th district: Ray L. Donley: 6th district: Walter F. Crahan; 7th district: no endorsement; 8th district: Jack Massion; 9th district: Adelaide D. Armstrong; 10th district: no preference; 11th district: Ernest O: Voigt: 12th district: no opposition; 13th district: Grover (Continued on Page 2, Col. 6)

#### Western Worker Readers' Parley In S. F. April 6

The first Western Worker Readers' Conference will be held Tuesday evening, April 6th, 8 p. m., at 121 Haight street, San Francisco. All readers of the Western Worker are urged to participate. Lawrence Ross, editor of the Western Worker, will

make a short report on the tasks and problems of the Western Worker, to be followed by a period of discussien, criticisms and suggestions from the floor. The object of the confer-

ence is to obtain the help of readers in making the Western Worker a popular paper among the workers and other progressives.

Refreshments will be serve ed after the conference, which is open to all, non-Communists as well as Communists.

# REJECTS DUAL

Brothers

LOS ANGELES-The CIO Los Angeles showed that it is not out to split the labor movement, when it rejected a proposal for formation of a separate Labor Council.

The CIO, at a meeting last Costa County, from where re- Monday, agreed with Lou Barren ports were late in reaching strike of the Furriers and Israel Feinberg of the Garment Workers, Graft Probe Gets Nowhere The strikers demanded a re- that the CIO committee should scinding of the mass layoff or- regard itself as part of the AFL der scheduled to begin on April and should work in close harand lop approximately 28,000 mony with the AFL unions.

It was decided to form a committee of nine to draft a pro-They also demanded a 10 per gram for organization of the eent increase in monthly wages, basic industries.

already declared necessary by the William Busick, of the ILGWU government on the basis of the was in favor of a separate labor nigh cost of living in San Fran-

LOS ANGELES-A drive for worker be forced into the ag- organization of all Los Angeles ricultural fields unless he is a retail stores has been launched bona fide agricultural worker, by the Department Store Emthat all workers on relief rolls ployes Union.

#### jobs be given WPA employment, that order No. 44, deducting from monthly wages for time lost due to bad weather or other conditions beyond control of the (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

LOS ANGELES-At one clip 37,500 persons were shut off relief in this county on Wednesday. They had been receiving DEFENDS CATTLE cash relief under the provisions of the California public Welfare

Rex Thompson, superintendent of charities, said all available funds for direct relief had been exhausted.

ty government against anticipated revenues from delinquent taxes, to help carry the relief

AIMED AT SITDOWNS

The State Supreme Court is | Slaughter of non-infected cattle operators Wednesday to arrange soon to rule on the legality of has again flared up as a burn- for maintenance crews. issuing \$1,700,000 worth of reg- ing issue among Tulare County

istered warrants by the coun- farmers.

## C. L. O. IN L. A. Labor Party Plans STRIKE SEEMS Take Shape, Sacto.

SACRAMENTO — The capital\* to be held at Labor Temple,

Independent Political Action is contacting all local unions, asking each to send two delegates SIGNS WITH CIO to enlarge the committee. Many locals are responding.

Fast In Political Stew

SAN FRANCISCO-In a swirling political ferment, the police graft investigation was getting nowhere fast last Thursday when Presiding Judge Stei- the 2400 Columbia Steel work- strike affecting 8000 members of paign as a whole. ger climaxed a week of politic- ers as members. It was another the Firemen and Trainmen seemby dismissing the grand jury, for which he listed the follow-

lic confidence by internal bick- fect this week. Over 325 men ering: at least four jurors had joined the union in one been under scrutiny in connect at a meeting last Sunday. tion with affiliations to Pete McDonough and other persons McDonough and other persons or groups named in the Atherton report; reversal of their position in first asking that Dist. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

## TULARE FARMER

Charge Reckless Killing of Non-Infected Cows

lare County bovine tuberculosis had been rejected by mine comeradication ordinance are seek- panies. ing dissolution of a temporary injunction against testing of cat- SPLETING ACTION CHICAGO — Sitdown strikes tie. The injunction was obtained

### city will see its first conference GOLUMBIA STEEL for independent political action, The Sacramento Committee for IN PITTSBURG

New Amalgamated Lodge Has 73 Per Cent of Employees

gamated Assn. has signed up tain in a few days on the Southover 1000 workers in Judson ern Pacific.

PITTSBURG, Contra Costa gon. County - The Columbia Steel Assn. lodge with 73 per cent of the Trainmen stated that

The company, U. S. Steel sub- (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1) sidiary, hastened to sign an agreement granting CIO recognition, The jurors had destroyed pub- and the agreement went into ef-

DETROIT-120,000 auto workers. mainly in General Motors, were on strike in this state Thursday against violations of agreements.

NEW YORK-With the soft coal mining industry moving head on toward a general strike of 400,000 men by the end of the VISALIA, Tulare County - week, John L. Lewis advised

The United Mine Workers lat-Officials in charge of the Tu- raise for cutting and loading,

ST. LOUIS-The St. Louis

were declared outlawed in an to halt reckless killing, by in- Central Labor Council has sus- bership. opinion by Superior Judge Jo- spectators, of cattle which farm- pended all CIO unions from membership.

# CERTAIN ON

Vote Unanimous; No F.D. Intervention Is Expected

With a practically unanimous vote to strike returned by every locality, a walkout of the Brothmen and the Brotherhood of OAKLAND-The CIO Amal- Railway Trainmen seemed cer-

The walkout will affect opera-

Second Membership Meet on Coast Convention

Maritime Federation, will be (Continued on Page 2, Col. 5) held April 13 to discuss issues for the coming Federation con-

mittee of, one from each affiliated union, to continue steps toward bringing about a national uniform policy for the maritime

itorium, in preparation for the Coast ILA and the Maritime Federation conventions.

District President Bridges' report and convention resolutions will be discussed by the mem-

Policy in regard to renewal facturers lobby. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

Victory depends on public support! YOUR support! The fight of the WPA workers, led by their recognized collec- SISKIYOU CO. tive bargaining agencies, is of the deepest concern to the entire organized labor movement and to the public generally. YOU, acting through your trade union or fraternal organization, CAN ASSURE VICTORY.

Send resolutions, telegrams and letters to President Roosevelt and Federal Relief Administrator Hopkins, urging the demands of the WPA strikers be met.

Make a donation, through your organization's treasury, to the and he is suing Siskiyou County lents. The cost of living has risen at least 10 per cent since the WPA strike fund. Send it to WPA strike committee, 83 Sixth for \$50,000.

WPA strikes with the same demands have been victorious in cisco, Alameda and Contra Costa counties!

## Loyalists in Drive Upon Burgos Now

The tide of battle in Spain has turned overwhelmingly in favor of the Loyalist armies who are following up their advantage with major offensives on two separate fronts while erhood of Firemen and Engine- fighting back the latest scattered offensives of the disintegrating fascist troops.

As the government gained headway, the disintegration of the fascists was hurried by distions from New Mexico to Ore- sention and strife in the ranks, including troop revolts in all Interviewed by a WESTERN important rebel-held centers, workers here were not to be WORKER reporter on Wednes- both in Morocco and on the outdone by their brothers in day, Vice-president C. V. Mc- Spanish mainland. The revolts Torrance, and as a result they Laughlin of the Firemen, and included open antagonism behave set up an Amalgamated Vice-president H. C. Smith of tween Spanish rebel officers and a Moorish troops with the cam-

Loyalist armies for the first al charges and countercharges of their amazing CIO victories. ed certain if demands are not time entered Burgos province, sweeping unhindered toward the fascist capital of Burgos while capturing new military weapons from the retreating army.

Another government army of four columns was pursuing a rebel army in complete rout after stopping its drive on Pozoblanco, important quicksilver mining center in northern Cordoba province.

Mussolini's Plight As the defeat of the fascists SAN FRANCISCO — A mass became imminent and certain meeting of Bay Area Council, unless new reinforcements come

# The Council has set up a com. Anti-Co. Guard

SACRAMENTO—A big for-ward step against terrorism by SAN FRANCISCO - Second employers in strikes is contained special meeting of ILA Local in the favorably recommended Drive on Court est demands, for a \$6 basic daily 38-79 will be held Sunday morn- bill making employers civilly reswage, and a 9 cents tonnage ing, April 18, at Dreamland Aud- ponsible for acts of special police and guards employed during The Assembly Crime Problems

Committee has put the stamp of approval on the bill, despite the bitter opposition of the Los Angeles Merchants and Manu-

Reactionaries wanted to amend the bill to include trade unions, but State Federation legislative epresentative Vandeleur fought

#### IN HOSPITAL MISTREATMENT

YREKA, Siskiyou County -

amputation necessitated.

### Fascist *taitures* **Increase**

MADRID—Disintegrating Fascist troops were retreating, leaving huge stores of supplies and equipment behind, as a loyalist army driving southward from Santander on the Bay of Biscay entered Burgos province and drove toward the fascist capital. Midway between Santander and the city of Burgos, the government troops occupied Sargantes, taking numerous prisoners.

BILBAO - A fascist drive against this loyalist-held port on the Bay of Biscay collapsed be fore it was well under way. Defeated, fascist aviators bombed a church in loyalist territory, wrecking the buildings and killing a priest, several altar boys (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7)

## Plan Big Wash'n

SEATTLE - The Washington Commonwealth Federation will in all likelihood soon issue a call to all labor organizations and other progressive King County groups to initiate an intensified campaign for the proposed reform in the Supreme Court.

The drive will probably include a letter-writing drive on congressmen, a signature campaign, and a Civic Auditorium mass meeting.

#### Yolo Co. Gangs Up On All Transients

WOODLAND, Yolo County-Improper treatment in the Sis- Supervisors of this county have kiyou County General Hospital joined Sacramento County authlost Everett Calkins his foot, orities in ganging up on trans-

They have issued a warning Calkins was injured while in that Yolo County is shutting the employ of the California- down on all relief to transient Oregon Power and Light Co. He workers. The latter can starve. says a bake oven was so defec- for al lauthorities here care, is tive that his foot was burned and the gist of the Supervicors'

#### portant test of validity of the seph B. Alegretti at a hearing. ers claim are healthy. UP COASTWISE

The largest trucking firm west Lines, has been struck by the Teamsters Union (Pacific Coast Highway Council).

FREIGHT LINE

Other demands were that no

eligible for WPA and wanting

Job Printer's Defense

Important to Public

REDDING Shasta County-A

suit of great importance is being

defended by Dr. Ernest Dozier,

Redding job printer, in connec-

tion with the latter's refusal to

pay a sales tax on job printing.

on behalf of the state equaliza-

tion board, instituted the suit

against Dezier. Webb's suit is

under the Retail Sales Tax Act.

The case is considered an im-

TEAMSTERS TIE

California sales tax.

Attorney General U.S. Webb,

Over 500 men are employed by the company, from Los Angeles northward. Union demands army of unemployed in California. They must be stopped! are 85 cents an hour, 60 hour A teamsters picket line of 150 men has been placed around the

The Public and the WPA Strike (An Editorial) The issues in the tri-county WPA strike are clear; rescinding

of the order which calls for the lay-off of 28,000 California workof the Mississippi, Pacific Freight ers, and for the payment of the 10 per cent increase in wages. Recent official figures by the American Federation of Labor show unemployment to be on the increase throughout the county. Private industry therefore will not absorb any discharged WPA workers. Lay-offs now would mean a substantial increase of the

week, \$1 an hour for overtime, fixing of WPA wages and hours. WPA workers are asking to street, San Francisco. and \$2.50 a day for lay-overs. be permitted to work a few hours longer a month in order to meet the rising cost of living, which is essential if any standards Washington and other states. Public support won those strikes. company's headquarters in Los of decency are to be maintained by families dependent on WPA It is up to YOU to see that a similar victory is won in San Fran-

### VALENCIA TROTZKYITE P.O.U.M. LEADER ARRESTED AS HEAD OF FIFTH COLUMN OF FASCISTS

Maintained Contact With Fascist Command And Arranged Espionage, Plotting Insurrection in Valencia

VALENCIA—The POUM, Trotzkyite organization in Spain which has already been driven out of the Catalonian government and exposed as counter-revolutionary throughout Spain, has been discovered to be in an actual conspiracy with the Fascist forces in Valencia, who in turn are in communication with one of the \* fronts of the Fascist command.

of Fascist plotters, including Ed-

cia Trotzkvite Organization. Gar-

re was exposed as having two

in Valencia and head of the

"Fifth Column," the name ap-

plied to Fascist organizations

The P.O.U.M. was shown as

providing Fascist provocateurs

with false documents, mainly

trade union membership or eva-

cuation cards in order to facili

tate their espionage and pro-

A definite program of the or-

ganization, to develop in three

successive stages, was revealed.

The plan provided for the or-

ganization's functioning as an

espionage organization until such

a time as the Fascist armies

could be ready to attack Val-

encia itself. Thereafter it an-

ticipated the organization of a

Since Garre's arrest and ex-

posure the "provincial commit-

WPA Workers of

Bay Area Strike

(Continued from Page 1)

workers be rescinded, that labor

and the American Federation of

Government Employees, has the

support of both the Alameda and

Half of Aameda County's 11,-

500 WPA workers were on strike

by noon Thursday. "All Alameda

County will be affected within

48 hours," declared Roy R. Noftz,

head of the East Bay Strike

Strong in S.F.

Projects closed in San Fran-

cisco included all Golden Gate

Park projects, Mills Field, Saus-

alito Bridge approach, Acquatic

who are expected to follow soon,

White Collars, Too

Pedro Fishermen

SAN PEDRO-No member of

Fishermen's Union may serve

Won't Pay 'Tax'

ily suspended.

WPA workers.

Maritime Federation.

Committee.

vocateuring activities.

working behind loyalist lines.

S. U. P. BAN WAS AN ILLEGAL ACT uardo Garre, head of the Valen-

Charter Brings Out capacities: head of the P.O.U.M. Autocracy

SAN FRANCISCO - In the trial of the Sailors Union suit for restoration of its International Seamens Union charter, Harry Lundeberg, SUP secretary, showed on Wednesday that the ousting of Paul Scharrenberg from the union had been backed by two coastwise votes of the membership.

The SUP charges that no proper notice or hearing accompanied the lifting of its charter by ISU officials. ISU attorney Littler contended that the ISU convention constituted a proper hearing, but the convention was stacked and not democratically

Testimony of Ed Coester, SUP agent in Portland, began Wednesday and continued on Thurs-

The suit is being heard by

### Strike on S.P. Seems Certain

(Continued from Page 1) granted, and that intervention by President Roosevelt to avert a walkout would probably not

Secret Agreement by S. P. Main grievance of the two brotherhoods is that the Southern Pacific had signed a secret agreement with the Engineers and the Conductors, as a result of which the Trainmen and the Firemen were being denied representation for their members in handling grievances.

McLaughlin and Smith told the WESTERN WORKER reporter of frequent raids on the Firemen's and Trainmen's membership by the two older and more reactionary brotherhoods. The brotherhoods which took the strike votes demand that the S. P. end the secret agreement with the Engineers and

Conductors. In such a dispute, the Railway Labor Act does not apply, Mc-Laughlin and Smith said and this is why intervention by the President is improbable.

"We know that we will obtain the support of all the railroad unions, except for the Engineers and Conductors, in we strike," the two vice-presidents said

"Right Behind Them" Ray Colville, assistant to the general chairman of the Railway Clerks for the Southern Pacific, told the WESTERN WORK-ER: "We're right behind them

in their claims!" McLaughlin, when told about the Maritime Federation set-up on the West Coast, approved of this idea, and said it would be a good thing for the railroad un-

\*We have tried to avert a collar projects are closed in San stilke wherever we can," the Francisco, affecting more than vice-presidents said. "In a case half of the total number of like this we cannot do it. We WPA workers. have gone as far as can rea- Sitdown tactics were being em- ber of Local 38-79 ILA. schably be expected to avert a ployed at the Placement Division strike on the Southern Pacific." at 83 First Street, where 100 The Engineers' officials, who workers assumed control of the formerly would not take in office. Pickets with banners cit-Firemen who had been promoting the strike demands were ed, and the Conductors, who picketing the outside of this of. Plaza Mass Meet would not take in promoted fice as well as outside of 49 Trainmen now are trying to Fourth Street, headquarters of force these men into their or- William R. Lawson, state adminganizations. This is an at- istrator of the WPA. tempt to make up for big losses in membership by the senior orders resulting from the Rail-

road Retirement Act. The mass sentiment of the membership is growing for consolidation of the big four broth-Bryant Streets. erhoods into two.

#### Lodi Cops in Tear Gas Demonstration

BODI - Police here have bought a big supply of tear gas, and in an attempt to discourage agricultural organization, have held a demonstration of the use the Deep Sea and Purse Seine of tear gas.

The demonstration was given aboard any fishing boat unless at Lodi Lake Park. Ironically he is guaranteed that he will not PA are scheduled to speak at enough a demonstrating police have to pay a \$3.50 per ton tax the Plaza demonstration. officer and Councilman Graffigna to Lindley Potts of the Fisherwere caught in the tear gas men's Cooperative Assn. Such



UNITED AUTO Workers Union members throng a Detroit court to oppose an injunction.

# TO PRISONERS

Goes to Quentin; Speaks In S. F. and Oakland

Simpson will arrive here at the Southern Pacific station, Third and Townsend streets, Monday at 3 p. m. Workers are urged to meet him at that time.

Fascist putsch within the city man, will go to San Quentin their removal. itself to aid the approaching next week. Not a prisoner this Four bribery trials in connec-Fascist armies. Following this time, Simpson, who was freed tion with the graft probe-of the plan called for functioning by Hitler as a result of a world- Police Lieut. Henry Ludolph, exthe twelve prisoners in San up on April 10. tee" of the P.O.U.M. attempted Quentin for labor activities.

to explain away the matter by! The delegation is scheduled to his position and the name of San Francisco, at 9 a. m., Tues- to excite no ripples in the graft new reinforcing troops. the P.O.U.M. for his Fascist deal- day, April 6th. In the delega- pool. ization, but it has not expelled Federation of the Pacific; Culinhim, despite this admission of ary Unions, International Labor his guilt. He has been temporar- Defense, Conference for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism War and Fascism, Alaska Cannery Workers Union and Auxiliary and others.

Visits Frameup Victims The prisoners to be called upon are A. Buyle, Victor Johnson, John Rodger and Reuel Stanfield, jailed as a result of the Modesto-Standard Oil frameup; Severo Ornelas, jailed for policy boards be established with Orange county strike activities; representatives of the organized Pat Chambers, Jack Crane and unemployed, that all workers Martin Wilson, Sacramento leaving WPA for private indus-Criminal Syndicalism prisoners; ry be immediately replaced by Earl King, Ernest Ramsey and eligible SRA clients and that full collective bargaining rights be Frank Connor, victims of the granted to the unions of the ship murder frameup; and Matt The strike, led by a joint com- prison for twenty-two years in it expires Sept. 30, in regard

Times case. Demands for certain rights for will be dealt with. labor and political prisoners will The delegates to the ILA and San Francisco County Labor be presented to Warden Court Maritime Federation Convention Councils as well as the Bay Smith by members of the dele- have been told by the local to Area District Council of the gation.

area, Simpson will visit Tom structed by the local. Mooney, now in the San Francisco county jail.

periences in Nazi jails at a mass takes place from April 5 to meeting to be held in Dream- April 9 land Auditorium, San Francisco, on Wednesday, April 7th, at Favorable on 3 dent of Local 38-79, ILA, will preside, other speakers will include Rabbi Jacob Weinstein and Rev. Herrick Lane.

Park and the Bay and Laguna-On Tuesday night, April 6th, street and sidewalk project. With Simpson will speak at Carpenexception of a few individuals ters Hall, Oakland, under International Labor Defense auspices. 27 labor jobs and four white Other speakers at the Oakland meeting will include Paul Heide, business representative of Local 38-44 ILA, and Joe White, mem

LOS ANGELES-Part of the state-wide protest against low wages and relief cuts, the Work-Closed white collar projects ers Alliance here will hold a in San Francisco were the writ- mass meeting at the Plaza, Saters' and historical records pro- urday, April 3, at 2:30 p.m., Pat jects at 717 Market Street and Calahan, Alliance organizer, anrecreation project at 7th and nounced Tuesday, March 30.

With their immediate protest to be lodged against the cutting off of county relief rolls of 53,000 persons, members of the Alliance are demanding also a 10 per cent increase in WPA wages, an increase of 25 per cent on county and state budgets, and increased

Further demands include the immediate issuance of relief checks, and no more SRA cuts, In addition to Alliance leaders. members of the Epics and UOP-

Mention WESTERN WORKER. to protect that right."

# COMPLETE HALT 25 Years Ago-1912 CH 53,000, THREA'

Direct Federal Grant Is Held 'Legally Impossible'

LOS ANGELES-To try and figure out some way to avert throwing thousands of needy persons on to the streets without food or shelter, Robert S. Hinckley of Salt Lake City, assist ant national relief director, was ordered to Los Angeles, where complete stoppage of relief to nearly 53,000 persons is faced as a result of a charities department budget deficit.

Hinckley will confer with all relief agencies in an effort to raise \$1,700,000.

Rex Thomson, superintendent of the charities department, returned from Washington with the word that a direct grant of Fedrelief funds is "legally im-

#### **Grand Jury Fired** SAN FRANCISCO-Lawrence In S.F. Probe

(Continued from Page 1) Atty. Brady be removed from the prosecution, then that he be retained; persistent "leaks" from SAN FRANCISCO - Recently the locked grand jury room; rereleased from a Nazi prison, fusal of the jurors to appear in Lawrence Simpson, union sea- his chamber to be informed of

and others who are to call on again postponed, and will come

What a "Clean Up!" Mayor Rossi's pompous blast

ings. This, said the provincial tion will be representatives of Four "madames" were fined committee, "damaged" the organ- District Council No., 2, Maritime \$50 each in police court as keepers of houses of prostitution, and similar charges against three pit, army and political leaders been known as progressives and other women were dismissed.

One member of the old grand Law, American League Against jury, Abraham L. Friedlander, was put on the pan in the jury for his reported negotiations for liet Union to secure the raw mathe aid of Pete McDonough! the "fountain head of corruption," man economy. which is to be investigated fur-

> Two other jurors faced probes on their reported links with the police department.

### **Marine Labor in Vital Problems**

(Continued from Page 1) Schmidt, who has been in the of the present agreement when mittee of the Workers Alliance connection with the Los Angeles to the CIO, political action for labor, and other vital matters

vote in a bloc on the questions During his visit in the Bay on which they have been in-

The ILA Coast Convention starts the first Monday in May, Simpson will describe his ex- in Seattle. Voting on delegates

SACRAMENTO-Three more bills backed by organized labor have been voted favorably in the Assembly and are now before

One is the Hawkins Bill, AB 269, prohibiting discharge of an employe on evidence of a spotter, Merriam to pardon Mooney. unless the employe is allowed to confront the spotter.

thal, forbidding the state em- was called off this week, and tors"; ployment agency from furnishing he gave the reasons for this trike breakers, and AB 2742, action. Assemblyman Dannenbrink, givfavorably.

### Cal. Congressmen Detend Sitdowns

sitdown strikes before the House on Wednesday were two representatives from California and one from the state of Washing-

Rep. Scott of California stated trade unionism itself."

defended sitdown strikes.

VALLEJO - Joint meeting of Trades and Labor Council ex-ecutive committee and City Council voted to cut rates of Pacifie Gas & Electric Co., also to present municipal light and pow-

SEATTLE - 6000 railroad la borers in British Columbia, and 14,000 mill workers in Washingon still solid in strike under IWW leadership. APRIL 5

SAN FRANCISCO - Grand jury accuses of malfeasance in office, members of Board of Public Works, Board of Police Commissioners, Board of Fire Commissioners, Board of Health Commission and Civil Service Commission. SAN DIEGO - Armed vigi-

lantes and deputies forced 100 workers off train as IWW's, and across the county line into Orange County.

APRIL 6 SAN FRANCISCO—IWW held meeting in front of Yerba Buena School, Greenwich and Webster Streets.

SACRAMENTO-AFL pledged \$20 weekly to State Federation of Labor to organize migratory

SAN FRANCISCO - Machinists Union 68 protested brutal police attacks on street speakers n San Diego. APRIL 7

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Rumors persist of coming U.S. intervention against the legal Madero government in Mexico.

### Loyalists Making Major Offensives

(Continued from Page 1) as an auxiliary police organi- wide protest, will head a delega- Patrolman James Miles, and from Germany and Italy to retion of union representatives Sam and Louis Beber-were place more than 100,000 who have already been defeated, indications increased that Mussolini may be forced by international pressure to take the disas-"admitting" that Garre utilized meet at the Hyde street ferry, for a vice "clean up," continued trous defeat without sending tions are made for Judges to Mussolini is reported to have

was faced with the Catholic 8; Joseph W. Ryan. church over its latest edicts in suppressing freedom of the pulwere reported to be bringing forward anew their suggestions that the Hitler government aifect reconciliation with the Sovterials so badly needed by Ger- which the Communist Party is

stopped its campaign against they have put forward programs England, where only a few days designed to meet the immediate before the Guadalajara rout and pressing needs of the peo-Mussolini had flung a new challenge to England's dominaion in the Mediterranean by appealing to Moslems to unite under the guiding influence of fascist Italy.

### More News About San Diego Unions

SAN DIEGO—The Newspaper Guild chapter has submitted contract to the Sun, a Scripps-Howard newspaper, calling for a preferential shop, according to a report by delegate Adair at the Federated Trades meeting Wednesday night. Negotiations are being delayed here, it was said, pending settlement of a similar demand to the New York Telegram, largest of the Scripps-Howard papers. The Federated Trades Council instructed its Executive Board to assist the News paper Guild in securing the contract from the Sun.

Letters were read from Republican State Senator Ed Fletcher and Democratic Assemblywoman Jeanette Daley, stating they voted against the bill to free Tom Mooney because the Attorney General informed them it was illegal. They promised to vote in favor of the new resolution calling upon Governor Secretary Lydick announced

that the Retail Clerks strike AB 338, Assemblyman Rosen- against Streicher's Shoe Store

Delegate Atwood of the Build ing an employe on public works ing Service union requested that the right to sue a contrator if all Fox Theaters be placed on he is not paid the general pre- the unfair list, and was, instructvailing wage, were also reported ed to make his request in writ-

A resolution, spensored by the Santa Barbara Central Labor Council, demanding that William Green take immediate steps to heal the breach with the CIO. was brought up at the last minute, and filed. The vote was rushed through by President J. WASHINGTON - Defending W. Brown, without allowing delegates an opportunity to speak on the question.

Next meeting the constitutional amendment to replace the pre-sent democratically elected Executive Board and the Organizing that "the barrage against sit- Committee by a permanently apdown strikes is a barrage against pointed "policy board" will be voted on. The undemocratic fea-Rep. Voorhis of California also tures of the proposal have lefended sitdown strikes. aroused considerable opposition Rep. Coffee of Washington in the council, according to re- gressive organizations. stated that "workers acquire a ports. (See analysis of the "pol- resident's proposal, attacking it right to their jobs and a right icy board" on page 2 of this Boulevard.

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America is solicity behind it."

Starts Bang-up Drive To Take in 30,000 In California

SAN FRANCISCO-Out to organize the 30,000 utilities workers in California, the United Electrical and Radio Workers Union, CIO affiliate, is growing at the rate of hundreds a week. An intensive campaign began Fascist Failures on April 1, with the PG&E, San Joaquin Light and Power, Midland Counties Gas and Electric selected as concentration points. To Spread Out

When these companies are cleaned up, the CIO union, which Workers Union, will tackle the coast counties power companies. which are owned by Standard Oil, the Oregon-California and the Sierra Pacific Light and Power Companies.

A local is functioning Los Angeles, in the Pacific Electric Railway. When the northern companies have been settled, the campaign will open with a bang in the Southern California Edison. CIO organizer Dalrymple has been paving the way for

### Recommendations For L.A. Ballot

(Continued from Page 1) Johnson; 14th district: no preference: 15th district: Frederick A. Draper.

nest Caldecott, Lawrence L. Lar- outbreak among the troops. rabee, Leonard R. Jones, George McDill. Only two recommenda-From Germany, while Hitler 5: Frederick M. Hill; Office No.

Defeat Shaw-Davis Machine basis of their past records. They are not candidates put forward by the Communist Party! and do not stand for all things for working. They have been se-The Italian press abruptly lected by their endorsers because ple of Los Angeles. It is in this light that the Communist Party recommends that the people of Los Angeles elect them to office in the city administration—to defeat the reactionary Shaw-Davis

### Johnson Raps L.A. **Political Machine**

LOS ANGELES-"Those whom the machine would destroy, they first call 'red'," declared Grover Johnson, labor attorney, on opfor city council in the 13th dis-

"If the voters in the 13th district have become dissatisfied with machine politics and machine politicians, and if a majority of voters believe in government by a majority, rather than by a minority for a few. there can be no doubt I will be elected tomorrow at the polls," Johnson said.

"They have used every vicious move known to the history of gang politicians to discredit me in the eyes of the voters." He pointed out:

1. Fake circulars supposedly issued by the Communist Party and advertising him as one of its leading speakers, have been broadcast over the district; 2. Merchants have been intimidated for displaying Johnson posters by "bogus health inspec-

March 2 and has never been heard from since;

4. Darwin W. Tate, Johnson's only opponent, turned the city council into a campaign headquarters and described Johnson twin-barrel automatic rifle of gant language. as a man who opposed civilized a special steel alloy, allowing government. Tate Fears Debate

Johnson immediately challeng- the "flying machine-gun nest," a ed Tate in the public press to plane equipped to strafe trench- as the Senate has to reject a a debate on the issue of Amercan democracy.

"Tate sought refuge behind a mantle of silence. He will not Dutch warships patrolled waters debate the question on a public off Spain under instructions to platform, because he dares not," Johnson declared. Latest endorsement of Johnson

is from the United Automobile Workers of America, a CIO affiliate. He has also been endorsed by the Municipal League, End Poverty League, Co-ordinating Council of Progressive Groups, and many other liberal and pro-

How Many Can You Answer? 1-What are riparian rights, and what have they to do

with California? 2-Who is general secretary of the Mexican Communist

3-What great strike was led by Eugene V. Debs, and when did it occur? 4-What international craft

union is being used by William Green against a West Coast ILA affiliate? 5-What union has jurisdiction over lumber, sawmill, shingle mill, workers and loggers? Is it progressive?

(Turn to Page 7)

(Continued from Page 1) and twelve Augustinian nuns recently absorbed the Utility Mass was in progress in the church at the time.

> Planes to the Rescue SANTANDAR-The rebel warship Espana seized three loyalist merchant ships off the coast here, but was forced to abandon them when loyalist planes came to the rescue.

MADRID-Rebel armies were fleeing in confusion with loyalists in pursuit, following the defeat of the Rebel offensive on Pozoblanco, in northern Cordoba province. Loyalist armies' next objective was the town of Penaroya, after El Soldado and Belmez had already been taken. italian, German and Moorish comprised the rebel troops forces.

Malaga Revolt

MALAGA-More than 600 soldiers and civilians were reported executed here by the fascist For Board of Education: Er- command following a mutinous

GIBRALTAR-Premier Benito the Municipal Court: Office No. sent out stern orders to his Italian "volunteers" to bring about a major rebel victory. Several of the mutinies in the fascist Many of these candidates have troops were blamed here on in tense hatred of Spanish and all have been selected on the German officers and men toward the Italian units.

Denies New Troops Sent ROME-Dino Alfieri, Italian Press Minister, announced that Italy will abide by the Spanish non-intervention accord as long as other nations do. He declared that Italy is not now prepar ing to send troops to Spain. He estimated recent Italian losses as "several hundred" and said the government had no information of reported Italian arrivals in Morocco or of a counter-rebellion against the fascist command there.

CASABLANCA, French Mor occo - One thousand "Italian overseas colonial troops" were reported to have been infiltrated through Spanish Morocco as a precautionary measure against further revolts.

Bitter resentment of Spanish officers' troops toward Italian and German officers was reported as responsible for revolts in position tactics to his candidacy both Tetuan and Ceuta, Spanish Morocco. Both revolts were suppressed and leaders executed More than 150 Spanish officers were reported involved, resenting the back seat which they have been given by German and talian officers.

> Ethiopian Expelled ROME-Mohammed Ali, Ethiopian chain store merchant, was reported as having been sent into exile from Ethiopia for supplying information to the British

Intelligence Service.

PARIS - France has warned the Spanish rebels not to interfere with French shipping, according to an official announcement from the cabinet.

ment delivered to the League ing opponents of the federal of Nations, Mexico attacked the court reform plan. 3. Sally Egner, a Johnson sig- "hands off Spain" policy as giv- Associate Justice McReynolds nature collector, disappeared ing indirect aid to the fascist stands "condemned by his own

> New Weapons MADRID—Weapons used by sistency and Sen. Glass (D. Va.) loyalists in Spain include a new of using "vitriolic and extravafast firing from a light tripod or from the shoulder. Another is

LONDON-British, French and protect their merchant shipping against Spanish insurgent vessels. France joined Great Britain in warning the insurgents to keep their hands off cargoes not banned by non-intervention agreements which prohibit sending arms and men to Spain.

es with deadly effect.

England demanded an explanation from the Franco "gov-

Plan Would Against Ideas of Democracy

SAN DIEGO-An attempt to establish undemocratic control by business agents in the San Diego Central Labor Council is meeting with sharp opposition

in the Council. The plan, sponsored by Secretary John D. Lydick, and intro-duced as a constitutional amendment, would abolish the present elective board and the organizing committee. In their places Lydick proposes to establish a non-elective "policy board," composed of the business agents of each local union, or in the event the local has no business agent. the secretary would automatical-

ly become a member. Dynasty of Business Agents Under the plan, Council would be deprived of the right to nominate, elect, or recall members of the policy board

Leading proponents of the plan are of course, a number of business agents. They declare that the present members of the executive and organizing committees are not as competent to conduct Council business as are business agents. They point out that while mank and file union members must work in private industry, business agents are employed to devote their time to union activities.

This argument however falls flat when it is recalled that the Council only two weeks ago elected all, its officers in a most democratic manner, and of the total of 10 members elected to both committees, only two are business agents.

Why Plan Is Opposed While the opponents of the plan, among whose number are many prominent delegates, are not opposed to business agents becoming candidates for any office, they strenuously oppose any scheme which would make ONLY business agents eligible for office.

Some delegates point out that business agents are paid to represent their local unions in relations with the employers and if they handle this job properly, they could not have enough time to carry out ALL the executive and organizing business of the council. There is no objection to increasing the size of the committees of the central council, as long as any delegate is

eligible for nomination. Those opposing the plan state this does not mean they oppose the officers of the council who are sponsoring the plan. They declare the present officers were elected by all the progressive delegates, including those opposing the plan, who are loyal supporters of the progressive cause. It is this loyalty which causes them to combat any infringement of the democratic

rights of the delegates. The proposed amendment will receive its final reading and will be voted on April 7th. If it carries, trade union democracy will suffer a real set-back. I will place the council under the most reactionary constitution in its long history—far more dictatorial than that established by the council's reactionary former

### **Court Plan Proved** By Court Itself

WASHINGTON-By upholding the Washington state minimum wage law for women, the Supreme Court itself "has proved the President is right," declared Sen. Robinson (D., Ark.), in a MEXICO CITY-In a state- caustic attack upon three lead-

test as a poor sportsman," said Robinson, who also charged Sen Borah (R., Idaho) with incon-

Borah and Glass Blasted "Congress has just as much right, for wholesome economic purposes, to increase the court nomination with the same motive," said Robinson. "Now how-ever, the Senator from Idaho and the Senator from Virginia have abandoned their proposal in 1930 to 'mend the court' and propose amending the constitution."

Dorothy Thompson, wife of author Sinclair Lewis, joined the narade of reactionaries before the Senate Judiciary Committee, and claimed curbing the autocratic Supreme Court would lead-in the direction of Hitlerism! Rep. Burdick (D., N.D.) red-baited in the House against the Headquarters for Johnson's ernment" of three attacks made President's proposal, attacking it

# India Prepares for New Struggle Against Great Britain

# REFUSE TO BE RUBBER STAMP

Refuse Office, Ask Curb on Veto by Governors

MADRAS, India-Forboding a new era of struggle against British domination in India, the Indian National Congress Party has refused to form governments in the six leading provinces where it was given overwhelming majority votes in the recent elec-

Threats of a general strike were increasing as British authorities placed high officials of the Congress Party under arrest and forbade 22 leading labor leaders to attend political meet-

The eleven provincial legislatures were scheduled to convene Thursday as India's new constitution goes into effect, but the Congress Party refused to assume responsibility for rubberwoud not exercise their power of veto on any legislature displeasing to the British ruling

The constitution granted to India was carefully framed to set up an appearance of freedom to the elected representatives of the Indian people, but it provides also for strict veto Even so, it was bitterly opposed by many reactionaries in British ruling circles.

After the sweeping victories of the Congress Party in the elections, British authorities Bruneer, two young men of forward, it was hard to discuss resentment of anything but thought they could persuade the promise and ability, took hold. with any of them historical rubber-stamp parliament may leaders of the party to accept Dramatic and cultural clubs causes, but as the decline came, lead to an attempt to suppress office under such circumstances, sprang up and the league looked the theory they had read came or disregard it altogether. with the eventual result of dis- like a success. Plays were put back to them. They had now Manchurians Hit crediting them before the mas- on that were a credit to any had two experiences, one polit- At Japan ses by preventing the adoption group. Scientific socialist liter- ical and the other social and ecoof legislation granting any im- ature was taken up in study nomic. portant demands of the Indian classes.

May Be Traitors

British authorities are expected attempt was made by the na- prevailed. This was rapidly Kai Shek to the demands to end to persuade minority leaders of tional office of the socialist changing now and a goodly num- civil war and unite against the the Congress Party to betray the party to introduce literature for ber of the young people began common foe. discipline voted by the majority, children.

Congress Party won huge major- cialist" and "Revolution." There stronger bond grew up between ities but refused to form govern- also appeared at the time "The union members and party memments unless assurance is given Scab" and "The Good Soldier." bers. against wholesale veto are Mad- "The Strength of the Strong," The leaders of the AFL were er. The resentment of the Jap- heavily toward a new rise of action, as evidenced by the ras, United Provinces, Central by London, added to the work not very strong for the "red" anese people is beginning to Provinces, Bihar, Orissa, and done by Mary Marcey, for the leadership in the party in Los have a strong reflection in par-

the action taken by the Congress the schools, the press and other way of thinking in the unions. Britain Has Grief Party, Mahatma M.K. Gandhi, social institutions with his The Harriman and Wheeler sec- From An Old Sore pacifist leader of civil disobed- "Goose Step," the "Brass Check," tion of the party had done this. ience movement in India, de- "The Jungle," which still had Our party leadership was cornounced Great Britain with the its influence. charge that:

ended the autonomy which it tian Scoialism" of J. Stitt Wil- as "opportunist." The facts were an and display the impotence of how the unity of international At the Sunday session of the claimed the new constitution had son, Allen Ricker and other that few of us knew exactly fascism, or help him on the sly fascism is in grave danger of convention, splendid enthusiasm given the previnces" and declar- preachers who had crept into where we were at. Some of us and dicker with him over the giving away before the quarrels was shown by the delegates who ed that the British Government power in the adult organizations did know, however, that the division of the spoils of Mediter- of Germany, Italy and England entered into the general discus-"once more has broken the of the socialist party. pledge which it has given."

#### **JAPAN EMPEROR** DISSOLVES : DIET **FOLLOWING ROW**

Liberal Attack Cabinet for "Submission to Military"

TOKYO-Because the militarist cabinet of General Senjuro a lot of sexology crept in. The came into existence was there Hayashi "found it impossible to colony at Llano propagandized any practical attempt to estabcontinue working with the pre- the youth membership. sent membership," Emperor Hirohito dissolved the Japanese Diet, or lower house of parliament.

Although the law calls for a general election to be held within 30 days after such a dissolution, the action of the emperor presaged new leeway to militarists who have been carrying out their war provoking program despite policies of "conciliation" announced by the cabinet.

debate in which liberals de- fell to the zero point. The league from scientific books: nounced the government for began its downward course soon "spineless submission to the mil- after, but rose again in 1913 and to the war, the crisis in the

The Hayashi cabinet, which re- elements that I mentioned be- riman on one side and Bill Haypresents none of the major pol- fore. itical parties of Japan, was considered at the outset as one the militarists' actions.

NATIONALISTS Poison and More Poison Get Together World Issues



MORE AND MORE a stooge of Italian and German fascism, Spanish fascist General Franco chats with Gen. Wilhelm Faupel, who presents his credentials at Salamanca as Nazi ambassador to rebel junta which calls itself a government.

### stamping England's decrees when at was granted no assurance in advance that British governors Reminiscences of California Labor

By J. E. SNYDER

The Young Socialist League of Los Angeles in 1910 to 1914, been challenged as never before was outstanding in its activities.

A large membership was drawn into the organization. A churian people. powers of the viceroy and the splendid headquarters was opened and well equipped. A place various provincial governors. for games and a pool table, along with a good stage in an auditorium, that held around -

ony way" out.

and physical expression. George Reeslund and Carl

A Junior Group

In all of the six provinces, group and secured teachers. An and leave affairs to the unions, partial capitulation of Chiang

that time that roused the na- with an ax." They of course the failure of political disrup-The six provinces where the tions: "How I Became a So- were opposing the AFL and so a tion.

Adding important support to Upton Sinclair was going after effort to get a leadership in our

All this helped to counter- branded as "impossibilists." "The British Government has act the influence of the "Chris-

> Gradually the influence of the definite lines of action. It alagainst the compromising tac- override it.

> cipline at the headquarters. The had little opportunity to know quality of the plays decreased. anything about their internation-Games took precedence over al relationship in the class war study. Anarchist literature and Not until the Communist party lish schools under party control.

The political campaign to elect | Walter Thomas Mills and Harriman for mayor in 1911 others sounded the slogan, "Amdrew in a large number of the erica for Americans." They inyoung men and women of the sisted that "foreign influence" league. They were the ones was not good for the American who mapped out the city pre- socialist party and the young cinct work and carried on the people's organizations. He as campaign work. With the Mc- you know was one of the pri-Namara case at its height, the vate school leaders. He did, excitement in the thought that however, do much to break they would elect Harriman car- down a lot of religious superstiried them to high hopes. When tion and started many of the Dissolution followed a heated the collapse came, their spirits youth studying their socialism

wood on the other, the breakdown of campaigns and colonies The "Colony Way Out" All this upset, in a group with were practical lessons to many, intended merely to put a con- little training in Marxian econ- and, as I have said before, many ciliatory front to the critics of omics, made the minds of these of the comrades and the children young people a fertile field for are now in the movement doing Liano Colony propaganda. This good work. Patronize our advertisers— was not the first time in history Mention WESTERN WORKER. that the weaker ones in the

### DIFFICULTIES OF ENGLAND. JAPAN GROW

Reaction in Trouble While Spain is Winning

Democracy-Peace Against War. Manchukuo, bringing out the reis having difficulties with its ment that similar incidents had focusing, and not all of the rea- occured months ago and news sons are to be sought in Spain of them suppressed.

When you consider that fasalso to consider what is engag- ment of the new outbreak. ing the attention of reaction elsewhere.

Upsurge in All Imperialist Strongholds

by military conquest and political coup. Recent setting up of 1931. new puppet state in inner by armed struggles of the Man-

cliques who establish Japan's \$12,000. foreign policy in disregard of all criticism became so strong that 500, gave opportunity for mental movement slipped upon the "col- the emperor dissolved the parliament. . There is strong rea-As the Llano Colony went son to believe that militarists'

One thing which above else marks the failure of the Up to 1914 the advocates of Japanese military policy in Chithe idea that the socialist party na is the growing unity of the The league organized a junior should attend to political affairs Chinese people, including at least

to get in the unions of their and to participate in cabinets. Jack London's writings were trade. They began to bring into fore has been: political disrup-However, when the legislatures very popular at that time. His the socialist locals reports on tion in China, coupled with force has been to give a semblance of ganization of the unorganized; convene on April 1, the heavy "Cal lof the Wild," the "Iron their union activities. The IWW from without. Their remedy democracy while retaining final the struggle for peace, against majorities are expected to make Heel" were read extensively. was in many centers fighting the now is: more force from withshort work of any such turn- London wrote two articles at party and "hitting the ballot box out to fill the breach caused by tions. England still holds the and the building of the party.

> the Manchukuoan incidents reveal it is bound to mount high-Angeles. We had made little liament.

British reaction was confrontpropositions: allow Mussolini to the struggle in Spain. We had branded the other side be defeated in the Mediterrane-

Constitution held us to certain ranean power. battles within the party began ways looked to me as though North Africa indicated that he and Moorish soldiers who have the discussion demonstrated clear to be taken up in the league. the rank and file members tried would demand more than they been duped into a war which is and accurate criticism of the The adults "had no time" to and were expected to live up to calculated, and if this were not none of theirs, either in victory weaknesses and achievements of give the youth directives. The the Constitution while the lead- enough to be embarrassing, the or defeat. youth tended to take a stand ers thought it their privilege to situation now arising in India is.

For India has been the colonial tics of the Harriman group but None of us had much know- gold mine surpassing all others. without directive from our side, ledge of the international move- It is nothing for British capof any particular value, they ment. Morris Hilquit and Kate ital to draw 20 to 30 per cent inwere confused as to where and Richard O'Hare were the only terest out of the textile mills of Parties, Affairs, Meetings, Classified Advertisements-Advertwo that had been over and re- Madras, Bombay, or Calcutta. It There was a slackness in dis- ported back, so that the youth is possible because the Indian

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Widespread Revolt is Revealed After Outbreak

soldiers were killed in a clash between Manchurian guerilla Spain is a focal point for two troops fighting against the Japworld-wide trends: Fascism and anese puppet government of It would appear that fascism velation by the Japanese govern-

nouncement that these previous tion, Sunday night, as the new cism is only the most open and outbreaks constituted a wideflagrant expression of reaction- spread revolutionary plot that ary tendencies that are powerful had been stamped out came simin all capitalist countries, stop ultaneously with the announce-

old Chinese northeastern prov-Japan in the past has chosen inces, where Japan has had an ing internationally prominent moments of upheaval elsewhere opportunity to "prove" its into extend its dominion of China terest in the welfare of the Chinese people since the invasion in Foster, James Ford, Joseph Sta-

The announcement of the out-Mongola was no exception, but break, in a communication from man. simultaneously comes the dis- the Manchukuo government at closure that its puppet state of Hsinking charged that the Com-Manchukuo has in recent months | munist Party of China organized |

Do your part to fulfill the Challenge to the militarist WESTERN WORKER drive for

> which to defend wage levels. The Congress Party, calling American-born delegates. for liberation from Great Brit-

Instead of taking office under a nated by the agenda. constitution whereby British governors retain a veto power, cline such responsibility.

Simple, it would seem. authority on all strategic ques- fascism-the support of Spain; But the cost is mounting, and the majority of the electorate.

exploited preserve.

While Democracy Gains in Spain

ed at the start of the invasion of more immediate difficulties of against any split between CIO respondingly weak, and we were Spain with two very distasteful reaction, nearer to the focus of and AFL forces in the city's Let the news columns indicate

Mussolini's latest boasts in grievance of the Italian, German periences during the past year,

## JAPAN TROOPS "L. A. 100% Union" DOUGLAS CO. ASSAULTED BY Slogan at C. P. Meet UNION UNDER

LOS ANGELES-Adopting as its main slogan: "Make Los Angeles a 100 per cent Union Town," the Los Angeles County Communist Party held its annual convention Saturday and Sunday, March 27 and 28, with close to 700 people attending the open-

Opened Saturday evening with¥ the singing of the International, tions. the 400 delegates and 300 visitors heard Bill Schneiderman, TOKYO - Twenty Japanese California State Secretary of the Communist Party, and Betty Gannett, outgoing Los Angeles County Organizer, discuss the current labor and political trends and the problems facing the party on a national and local scale.

Paul Cline from New York, was elected by acclamation, at The Japanese government's an- the closing hour of the conven-County Organizer. Also elected was the new County Committee, consisting of twenty-one leading comrades in the county.

By a vote of acclamation, Pet-All indications were that the tis Perry, Negro comrade and latest outbreaks constituted the organizer of the Goodyear Secmost serious threat to date tion, was elected chairman of against the Japanese rule in the the opening session. Unanimously the meeting chose the followfigures as the honorary presidium: Earl Browder, William lin, Largo Caballero, Jose Diaz, Carlos Prestes, and Ernst Thael-

A True Cross Section

More than ever before in the history of the Communist Party in Los Angeles, the Convention represented truly a cross section of the working people. Of special significance was the fine type of youth that comprised the delegates from the Young people have no civil rights with Communist League. There was an overwhelming majority of

In line with the fervent proain, won sweeping majorities in gressive trend of the American the six major provinces out of people, so also was the tone of eleven in all. The British mail- enthusiasm which carried through ed fist in a kid glove has han- the various phases of the Condled such situations before. This vention on scheduled time-endone didn't run true to form. ing promptly at the time desig-

Schneiderman, in his talk the Congress Party voted to de- Saturday evening, stressed four main tasks that lie before the party: the building of a strong But it amounts to this: Eng- People's Front movement in the land is being denied a major- United States to defeat reaction; The Japanese policy hereto- ity government that will rubber the maintenance of unity within stamp its decrees. Its method the ranks of labor and the or-

> whip hand, but it cannot wield Bringing the tasks outlined by this whip hand in the name of Schneiderman down to Los Angeles county, Comrade Gannett This makes a great deal of dealt with the movement toward difference. The prospects lean independent progressive political anti-British struggle in British strong progressive slates entered imperialism's richest and most during the municipal election campaign.

Special emphasis was laid on the organization of unorganized workers in Los Angeles and on This is not to dwell upon the the need for constant work labor movement.

Discusses Experiences with each other, and before the sion. Centering about the exthe work of the units and sec-

Further, and more detailed discussions took place in the caucuses, where definite, concrete proposals were formulated to be presented to the convention.

ship; for special emphasis to ion." be laid on the organization of industrial units in basic indus- a bona fide union than was the

labor organizational drive came las workers. from the Trade Union caucus. From the same caucus came also the resolution to begin immedifight against Negro discrimina- sorting to intimidation. tion in trade unions.

Eva Shafron, reporting for the Educational and Personnel Caucus, stressed the necessity of colthe need for more mass agitation and propaganda work. Pet-

(Continued on Page 4)

FALSE COLORS It's Trying to Look Just Like a Real Trade Union SANTA MONICA—Obviously

sponsored by Donald Douglas a small group of company fakers have inaugurated a change in From the organizational cau- the Douglas company union by cus came suggestions for the en- the simple procedure of establargement of neighborhood units; lishing several high-salaried pofor the conducting of thorough sitions in what is shamelessly investigation of the member- called the "Aircraft Workers Un-

The new "union" is no more discredited Douglas Employes As-The pledge that the party be- sociation and is recognized as come the driving force in the such by the majority of Doug-

Organizers for the new company union are actively attempting to gain members during ately a drive in trade unions for working hours by resorting to independent political action: and flattery, cigars and promising fathe resolution to mobilize the vors, and when these fail, re-

Crudely imitating union newspapers, the same group is publishing a filthy little scab-sheet. called "Union News." Naturally lective work in the units, and enough, it has not succeeded in misleading many of the workers, for to read any one of the publications exposes clearly its connection with Douglas.

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tion with the YCL-from almost

complete indifference towards its

problems to closest collaboration

Moving in Right Direction

direction? Yes we have. Three

months have passed since we

undertook, in earnest, to make

the party membership conscious

our party's obligation to-

wards youth work and towards

We have definitely established

a County Youth Committee that

meets periodically twice a month.

In turn this committee has es-

tablished similar committees in

the industrial, professional and

Fillmore sections. Through these

committees we were able to set

up closer contact with the YCL.

ganizational directions we have

made a considerable beginning

in arousing our membership's

interest in youth and YCL prob-

lems. Thus, in the past period

we devoted two meetings of the

County Committee largely to dis-

cussions of youth problems. On

both occasions these discussions

were in preparation for a mem-

bership-wide discussion in

branches and units of specific

YCL Convention

the launching of our organiza-

as well as the California Youth

Act; in the second, which was

held in the presence of all unit

ing YCL convention, Significant

of our improved relations with

the YCL is that while during the

first discussion held in the county

committee we failed to attract

to this meeting any of the YCL

members, at our second meeting

we had with us over a dozen

most active YCL members in

our city, who added materially

Our recently held county con-

youth. This phase was dealt with

by a special Youth Commission

in which party and YCL mem-

party's attention upon them.

We can already count some

tion of the assembly in their

number of them to send dele-

Difficulties Encountered

gates and material help.

to the discussion.

and branch organizers, the com-

In the first instance it was

phases of youth problems.

While making efforts in or-

the YCL. What are our positive

Have we begun moving in this

work in this phase.

and helpfullness"

achievements?

party's work among the youth. aiding the YCL in developing

I am taking the advantage the trade union activities. There is

pre-convention discussion offers still a tendency to encourage

for pertinent comments upon our YCL members in trade unions to

San Francisco's organization's be inactive in YCL work. And

On Dec. 21st we wrote in our close attention by the leader-

County Committee's directives ship to the work of the county

Committee is determined to rad- Our immediate tasks are:

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#### Spanish People Call for Medical Aid!

THE WORLD of democracy and friends of freedom everywhere rejoice over the news from Spain which tells of smashing victories by the Spanish Government armies on both the Guadalajara and Cordoba fronts.

The heroism and military strategy of the Spanish people's armies have thrown panic into the hearts of the fascists. Both Mussolini and Hitler have had to swallow bitter pills when the news of the rout of their troops reached them. To quote a Washington news commentator:

"What makes the war experts laugh is that both Mussolini and Hitler underestimated the ability of the loyalists. These defenders were little more than an unorganized mob at the start, but in six months they have learned a lot about warfare. They are now experienced vet-

· The creation of a centralized, disciplined, and efficient military machine in a short space of time was not due to any secret military-development process but is the inevitable result of the heroic efforts of an entire people fighting for its life and freedom against fascism. This is something that neither Mussolini nor Hitler can understand.

The war, however, is not over. The "non-intervention" committee, which has assigned to Italy and Germany, the chief aggressor nations, generous portions of the Spanish coast to "patrol," continues to play its farcical role. Both Hitler and Mussolini can continue to use airplanes to ship munitions to Franco even over territory patrolled by other than the fascist nations! And the Spanish government forces are still in urgent need of aid from foes of fascism the world over. Especially acute is the need for medical supplies of all sorts: X-Ray plates, bandages, anti-tetanus serum, ambulances, etc.

Appreciation for the valiant blows being struck for world democracy by the people of Spain can best be shown by contributing generously to the medical aid fund through the North - American Committee to Aid Spanish Democ-

Mussolini is seriously considering a plan to make it compulsory for every Italian family to have at least four children. Fascism must have something fertile, and it can't produce fertile brains.

#### Green Earns Open-Shoppers Praise

NV/ILLIAM GREEN'S bitter attack against sit down strikes certainly caused no surprise among trade unionists. His entire record in the labor movement is one of determined opposition to militancy of any sort in the conduct of a strike.

In fact, not so long ago Green pledged the administration that the organized labor movement would not resort to the strike at all in seeking better working conditions and higher wages. But this "no-strike" pledge of Green's was followed shortly thereafter by a wave of strikes in marine, textile and other basic industries.

Not only does Green's wordy barrage against the sit-down strike consistenly carry out his historic role in the labor movement-but it is especially caused by the success of the CIO in organizing the unorganized—a success which would not be possible without the use of such militancy as expressed by the sit-down form of strike ac-

. Naturally, Green's statement was followed by profuse praise from the National Association of Manufacturers. We would not be surprised to hear next that that association of open-shoppers has elected Green to an honorary presidency. We cannot do a better job of describing Green's action than to quote the words of John L. Lewis, who declared Green's statement was "characteristically cowardly and contemptible."

" Green's role as a disrupter and splitter has been thoroughly exposed before the masses of militant workers. His statements are so much froth before the wind of organization sweeping across the country. He could use his time more productively by going down to the beach with a broom and sweeping back the tides:

What's in a name? A temporary injunction against the National Labor Relations Board was issued in New Jersey by Judge Guy L. Fake.

#### Will S. F. Supervisors Act on California Youth Bill?

THE ACTION of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County in endorsing the proposed California Youth Act is to be commended as a guide for other county boards. It is to the credit of John Anson Ford, supervisor who is the candidate for mayor supported by progressive labor and political groups, that it was he who made the motion for support.

Hearings on this important measure are scheduled for next Friday, April 9th, before the State Assembly Committee of Welfare at Sacramento. As many groups and organizations as can do so should send spokesmen up to Sacramento to urge that the measure be favorably reported out

of committee. This is one of the most important of the measures introduced by the California People's Legislative Conference, and is sponsored by the Northern and Southern California Assemblies of Youth.

The San Francisco Board of Supervisors still has time to express its views on the urgent needs of California youth. Endorsement by that body, and the memorializing of the Assembly urging adoption of the measure, would go a long way toward securing favorable action.

Scene on a small chicken ranch near Petaluma: Farmer's Wife: "Look, John, I've found a 10cent piece in this chicken's craw." Farmer: "Well, that's the first time I ever knew there was money in chickens!"

#### **Buzzell's Splitting Tactics**

THE ATTACK against the recent Douglas strike made by Buzzell, secretary of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, in a statement contained in the March 26th issue of the L. A. Citizen, is not only vicious, but stupid as well.

Buzzell speaks of an "alleged" strike. In Buzzell's opinion, obviously, there was no strike; to the membership "the County youth committee. and further on he characterizes as "suckers" those thousands of militant workers who fol- ically change the party's relalowed the leadership of the CIO in the "alleged"

We wonder whether Mr. Buzzell would describe the five cents an hour increase won by the strike as only an "alleged" nickel an hour more; whether the two hours' pay each worker will get if he is called to work and then finds there is none for him to do, will be made in "alleged" money; whether the time and a half for overtime will also be paid in "alleged" money. And finally, we wonder whether the groceries this money will buy will be only "alleged" food.

Buzzell's statement that the publicity being given to the CIO is caused by the reactionaries' desire to widen the split in the labor movement is the pay-off. If any one thing stands out like a sore thumb in the CIO-AFL situation, it is the responsibility for splitting and disruption of unity that lies squarely on the shoulders of the executive council of the AFL

Despite Buzzell's attacks, the CIO will be a major factor in the drive to organize Los Angeles. What does Buzzell say about the thousand workers who formed a lodge of the A. A. in the Columbia Steel Mill, in Torrance—and a day later were recognized by the company?

"At least," say graft apologists, "our police have kept gangsterism out of San Francisco.' True, there are no Al Capones or Dillingers around; the McDonough Bros. can't stand the competition.

#### How About an Embargo Against Italy and Germany?

PPROXIMATELY 80,000 Italian soldiers are in Spain, engaged in active war against the Spanish Republic.

Forty thousand German soldiers are in the armies of Franco.

German and Italian Generals compose the high military command of Franco's "Spanish" fascist army.

Can any sane person doubt that both Italy and Germany are at war?

Yet the U. S. State Department remains as able proposals, the adoption of ing and student youth of Amersilent as the grave on ordering an embargo which has helped much to clearly ica and building the YCL. Let's against these two fascist powers! This should define our day-to-day tasks in discuss that! have been done long ago to carry out the terms youth work and to rivet the Three months ago we only of the "neutrality" legislation passed by Con-

tangible results out of such dis-More and more people are beginning to woncussions. Outstanding among der whether the State Department is not conthese was the aid our party sciously aiding the fascist aggressors! Certainly extended to popularize and to Senator Key Pittman, chairman of the Senate Formake possible the success of the Northern California Youth Aseign Relations Committee, is playing the role of sembly. Good work was done aide-de-camp to Franco, with his constant dein this phase by our trade-union fense of Italian "volunteers!" comrades who raised the gues-

A movement to demand an embargo against the fascist aggressors must be launched and carried into Congress. Resolutions and letters should be sent by organizations and individuals, demanding such an embargo in the interests of world peace, and to take the United States out of the camp of those nations whose policies are an encouragement to fascist barbarism!

El Dorado County, California, lumber companies have forced employees to join the El Dorado Wooden Box Assn. to "promote the sale of wooden boxes." With such company union ideas and resultant starvation wages, it will be the lumber workers' families who will buy the wooden boxes."

was not yet able to start its organized youth work despite the fact that the major portion of the YCL membership is on the late recruiting drive and its lessons, as well as an article by Commade Powell, Contra Costa and how to check up on the way our decisions are carried out.

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### Fascist Bombs Wreck a Madrid Nursery



FASCIST barbarianism another example of it in Spain. A children's nursery wrecked by bombs from a fascist plane. Loyalists never bomb residential areas of city, many

neutral eyewitnesses have reported. Fascists, with characteristic barbarism deliberately seek to strike terror by actions like that shown above.

# Party in San Francisco

"My charge against the Shaw 4th and Spring Sts.

### Red-Baiting Flops Against J. A. Ford

LOS ANGELES - Attempting administration of pay-offs, and last Monday when strips of paper

Attacked as Was F.D.R. Recognizing such attacks help rather than injure his campaign,

not worried. Indeed, I believe let read: these eleventh hour attacks are helping my campaign.

tion is circulating the false charge feat Shaw." that I am against the Jews and of the Ku Klux Klan.

Falsehoods Flop

to confuse the issues before the a multitude of illegal special privoters, local political gangsters vileges, large and small, appears dragged out the "red herring" to be receiving wide acceptance." Paul Cline, newly elected reading "Vote Communist-John county organizer of the Com-Anson Ford for Mayor," were munist Party termed the fake scattered over the city from air- strips of paper as "fraudulent material issued by reactionary political interests."

C.P. Statement on Ford "The position of the Commun ist Party in relation to Mr. Ford "I find I am being attacked in the coming elections is clearly the identical manner that stated in the election leaflet is-Franklin Roosevelt and Harlan sued recently by the Communist Palmer were attacked, and I am Party," declared Cline. This leaf-

"John Anson Ford is the candidate of the progressive forces "The charge being made by in the city. He is also supported the Shaw forces that I am a by many trade unionists. While Communist, or have affiliation the Communist Party has many with Communists, is a falsehood, criticisms to level against Mr. a ludicrous falsehood. In Jewish Ford, it urges the people of Los neighborhoods, the same opposi- Angeles to vote for him-to de-

Despite underhanded opposifor the Nazis. In the Negro dis- tion from reactionaries, Ford's tricts, these same short-sighted campaign is going ahead full opponents are circulating the swing with a strong chance to false rumor that I am a member lead Shaw in the Tuesday primaries, stated his campaign head quarters in the Angelus Hotel

### Begins Work Among Youth A Question and Reply on the U. S. Supreme Court

(Pre-YCL Convention Discussion to have a half a dozen party this beginning as a springboard By Organizer Unit A-10, Com- the immediate and crying necomrades to engage themselves for further and better work, for The approaching 8th National earnestly in youth work, it is making the entire membership munist Party

the opportunity for riveting the many more, especially in units our party's life-work among the munist Party unit had a discus- The question of a People's good, though I thought it was Front. only good conversation. I thought they might forget but not so. I must write, or else.

Here is my argument. We need the Supreme Court just as tis Perry, reporter for the Ne- a dog needs fleas. Yet, we should have a Supreme Court. This kind of logic sounds foolish but

Eevery Congress, when it is setting up its organization of committees to handle different problems, would also set up a Supreme Court, made up of every faction of the Congress in had been "characterized by a both houses. This would cause all of the members of both whether he is on the Supreme The general weakness, she Court or not, and all the legis-

unorganized, and the middle Where appeals are made, it cational training of youth among classes toward a strong, united would come before a court set up by Congress either to settle This task, and the all-impor- the case from a human standhand in the present development tant one of organizing the unor- point or send it to the People's of a progressive sport movement. ganized must carry on through Court set up by the next Con-We must win over our young the life of the units, she de- gress. Comrades, I am very sick, have been for several weeks, Several resolutions were and I hope some of the rewrite

the Waterfront TCL branch, will tions sending greetings to Ernst fore the American people is curbinclude all the YCL'ers, mem- Thaelman, to the Spanish ing the Supreme Court. The Communist Party supports President Roosevelt's program to accomplish this, and rallies all possible support to this program as

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Following the election tion's plan for work among youth In this connection our territor. Paul Cline to the position of Just Off the Press! work she had done during the time she was organizer, welcom-Comrade Garnett, was over-whelmingly approved by the

The wave length is 31.65 kilocycles.

on what you hear.

Convention of the YCL affords obvious that we must draw in conscious of the vital phase of party membership's attention to and branches. We have not yet youth, America's brightest hope the ever vital problem - our begun to solve our problems of for the future.

(Continued from Page 3)

While it is a step forward | beginning. Our job is to use

the inactive in YCL work. And Convention finally there is still not enough

2. To aid the young people of

San Francisco in arousing mass-

support for California Youth Act,

especially in connection with the

forthcoming hearing on the As-

sembly Bill No. 1361 (California

Youth Act) on April 9th, in

must help in bringing about a

deluge of demands for passage

We must lend a really helping

bers of "up-town" unions.

during the drive-why not now?

6. Why not send a party com-

rade in our work among the

youth, to the 8th National Con-

vention of the YCL? I think this

rades from all over the county,

active in the party's youth work

will attend the YCL convention

talked about starting work

among the youth and building

the YCL. Today we are already

able to examine concrete work

done. We made a fairly good

neighborhoods.

And finally-

vention has real recognition to is a swell idea (not mine

the problem of work among though). If 100 or so party com-

bers presented to the convention we will go a long way in im-

a series of concrete and realiz- proving our work among the toil-

sive organizations.

1. To aid the YCL in prepar- gro caucus, pointed out the need ing and sending a good size del- for more work from the party egation to the YCL convention. among the Negro workers in the county.

Practical Approach

Summing up the entire Convention, Betty Gannett declared that the convention as a whole more serious approach, a more California State Assembly. We practical approach than previous houses to study the constitution, conventions

of this bill and for appearance pointed out, had been that no lation should be considered from by questions and discussion at this hearing of delegations general line had been developed. the human standpoint and not from trade unions and progres- She went on to demonstrate that from the point of private profit the central task before the coun- or privilege. 3. In the trade union field: ty must be the bringing together This court should die at the Our trade union membership of the entire organized labor end of the Congress, or as soon must become familiar with the movement, the thousands of as all bills have been considered. problems of establishment of vo-

correct trade union principles. front to defeat fascism. comrades in trade unions for ac- clared.

tive participation in the life of the YCL. In this connection our adopted at the end of the Con- boys will make Unit A-10 feel task is to aid the YCL in its vention. All of them were en- that it has done good by the diseffort to set up a well function- thusiastically and unanimously cussion. ing industrial branch which, like applauded. There were resolupeople, condemning Trotzkyism 4. Our May Day preparations and the Trotzkyites, condemnand activities should be carried ing the Criminal Syndicalism on in close collaboration with Act, and demanding the freedom the YCL, to assure the largest of Tom Mooney.

number of youth participants. ial branches and units should county organizer, a resolution address in our party's name spethanking Betty Gannett for the cial appeals to the youth in their time she was organizer, welcom-5. We have an unpardonable ing Cline as the new organizer, slow-up on recruiting into the and proposing a banquet for YCL, since the close of the last membership drive. To help the YCL is to recruit members into the YCL! We have done that

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one is the slowness of organiparty organization. Such an imwas not yet able to start its pecially important for California its as a guide in the recently

dustrial center. Powell's article The March-April issue of the illustrates the use to which the Western Worker can be put in building the Party.

Other articles of importance format, with large, easily read- are the statement of the Party able type. In form, as well as on May Day, and the resolutions We still encounter serious dif-in contents, the Party Organizer adopted by a recent conference ficulties in our work. Our major has become an indispensable aid of District Organizers on build-The March-April issue is es- closely studied by all Party un-

cessity if social legislation is to LOS ANGELES - Our Com- be adopted and put into effect sion about the U.S. Supreme Court to replace the Supreme Court, and when I took the floor Court, is not now a question and had finished, they told me before the people: Its existence to send my ideas to the Western | would depend upon the existence Worker. They thought it was of a very powerful People's -EDITOR

#### Birobijan-Palestine Lecture Scheduled

SAN FRANCISCO-S. Almazoff, national secretary of the ICOR, wil Ispeak on "Birobijan and Palestine" Monday, April 5, at 8 p. m. at the Jewish School, 3261 Clay street. Rabbi Weinstein will preside.

ICOR is an organization form ed to assist colonization in the Jewish Autonomous province of Birobijan, Soviet Union. Its comparison with the development of Palestine under British imperialism will be followed Admission, 25 cents.

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### Around the League

By BEN DOBBS Administrative Secretary California Young Communist League.

Good Work

Congratulations, S. F. County Committee of the YCL, for the splendid dance and the work of your dance committee. Special commendation goes to Ernie, Ethel, Lee, and others.

#### Anniversary

This month we celebrate the 15th anniversary of the YCL. These 15 years have seen a tremendous change in the workers' movement-and the YCL played no small part in making this change. A change that is showing itself in the tremendous drive towards organizing the unorganized, the movement towards a Farmer-Labor Party, the change from a small propaganda group to a YCL of 12,000 members, with working connections with many sections of American youth, wide influence among them, and taking part in the life of America.

gates to the National Conven- Federation of America and the Communist Party, through the controlled peace assemblies in state executive committee, has high schools, with the aim of called on its sections to give setting up on-campus peace counsupport. What's doin' and how's cils. it going?

#### New York or Bust?

lassies of the YCL, the BUST ril 22, a debate a week before dime in the next two weeks in day with a movie and a personal raising the necessary money for appearance by Frederic March. transportation. It will cost at least \$50 a delegate. We have over Easter vacation and exam received the following: Lincoln Steffens Branch

(UC) Spirit of '76 Branch (SF) 20.06 Waterfront Branch (SF).... 25.67 Another Branch (SF) ...... 12.52 L. A. has not turned in anyto New York.

#### Let's Get Some More!

Wouldn't it be swell if we than wrestling. could give a present to Gil Green from the California YCL? What shall it be? WE GOT IT! Some more new recruits from California! We are getting out a letter that we want each vard students, arrested for dis-Comrade to fill out, with the tributing union leaflets in front name of a recruit, sign, and send of a rubber plant, gasped when to Comrade Green. Wouldn't it the judge released them and be something if we could send termed their action as serving a about 200 of them with our "laudable and legal cause." delegation. On recruiting—the dime that we bet on the Stan- YOUNG SPANIARDS RALL ford gang is in great danger. UC is winning the Big Game. Score: UC 2. Stanford 0. Can one of the Stanford people loan us a dime?

#### Here and There

after her appendectomy and is Spain. now at home. Los Angeles comrades should visit her and bring

It was good to see Jack, Roy, Lou, and others that came up from Los Angeles a few days ago. Glad to know they are alive. You can't tell by the way they are raising money to send convention delegates, or how they pay their bills to continue

the Leo Gallagher Branch at- cisco Chronicle had a leading down the line for a basketball al Workers Order. They puffed tended the formal installation headline on its front sports page, team. banquet and dance of one of the Union Recreation Center Steals Frisco counters with a sharp the final score in favor of the Los Rios, Spain's ambassador to

Mary got busy and raised the the Amateur Athletic Associa- an epidemic of sumpthin or got tangled up in an educational York, Paris, Moscow, London, throughout the country by the ing Arizona and Nevada, heard necessary kale and got two com- tion boxing tournament, shook other. rades, Tommy and Matt, to help the rafters of Dreamland Audi- I don't know whether Los Angot down on its knees and grab- a new 20-page picture magazine America. her paint it.

### Curriculum Avoids Today's Problems

Department of Instruction and continue to sweep a sports conference like they It is said that fourteen big com-Curriculum, charged that the av- their fields? curriculum, charged that the pames will enter teams in the erage high school senior knows I know that DeLucci himself teams together, perhaps form a City Recreation Department's Inless about American life since has a following of hundreds of League. the World War than he does of kids in the Mission district in

more than 7,000 people in 40 or not? California towns, claimed that Young Communist League that cent union sports movement to you bought your copy yet?

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A faithful correspondent from the functionaries, mind you— take the wind out of the Indushigh schools civics and history No Grass Underfoot on current issues and problems. Sacramento writes to let us know the educational director, a few trial Association's sails,

## PEACE STRIKE PLAN WADE IN

Answer National Call For Demonstration On April 22

15 COLLEGES

LOS ANGELES-Students of at least 15 Southern California colleges will strike as a peace demonstration at 11 a. m. on April 22 in response to a call sent out by all thirteen leading student organizations in America. Plans for the strike in L. A. were made with the formation of

a United Student Peace Committee, which has the support of the Christian Youth Council, the Christian Youth Coordinating Committee, the Student YWCA and other organizations.

Signers of the strike call included the American Student Union, the Committee on Militarism in Education, the Emergency Peace Campaign, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the Foreign Policy Association, the United We should celebrate this birth- Christian Youth Movement, the

Belmont High School in Los Angeles led preparations with the announcement of a two week and a half. No kidding, my good lads and peace symposium preceding Ap-Northern Colleges marked time

#### Future of Boxing

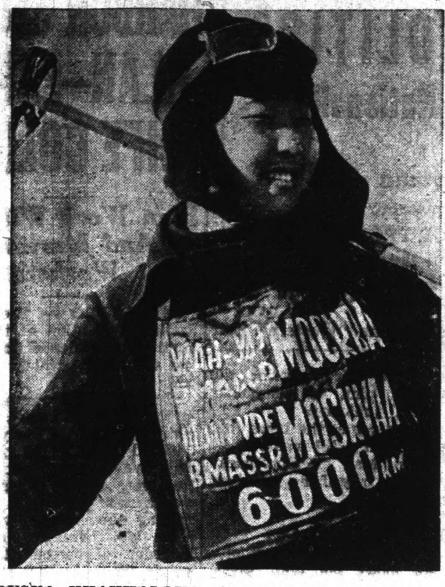
Jack Dempsey stated last week that he had come to the con-

#### Amazement

BOSTON, Mass.—Seven Har-

LOS ANGELES - Two hun dred young Spanish people in formed a club around the defense of Spanish democracy. Among the many activities they carry on a monthly dance, with

### A Long Walk-China to Moscow



MARUSYA KHAKHALOVA, 18 years old, one of the five Mongolian girls who traveled on skiis 4000 miles, from Chinese border to Moscow. These are typical pioneers of the new Soviet youth.

## day as a joyous event that marks a new turning point in our the National Council of Metho-dist Youth, the student YM and off affairs for the elected dele-dist Youth, the National Student YWCA, the National Student gates to the National Convention. The state executive committee has called on all county committees to organize the bigHigh School Section simultanHigh School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanHigh School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of America and the War Resisters League. The American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of American Student Union High School Section simultanConvention of American American Student Union High School Section Sectio

(Editorial)

sweeping the Young Communist League for the past month LEADS LEAGU

It was the period of discussion before the 8th national should be spelled in capital let- the 22, culminating in an aud- convention of the Young Communist League, when the floor ters unless we all get off the itorium meeting on the peace was thrown open for any and all criticisms and suggestions.

Ingenuity! The Lincoln Steffens Branch at the University of California noted that meetings were dull, but the bull sessions at the Jolly Roger restaurant later were swell. So they rigged up tables, served coffee, had girl waitresses—duplicated the Jolly Roger atmosphere at their branch meeting and, presto!—the liveliest discussion in years.

Results! The Tom Mooney Branch of San Francisco had been moving at the pace of a snail for months. They read Gil Green's article in the February Communist, felt deeply all he said about thing my, my, it's a long walk clusion that "unless boxing gets making the YCL an organization which would give its members the Vikings, revemped for the of America; Angelo Herndon, centralized federal control, box- life with a purpose. And they speedily organized a chorus, a ing will continue to degenerate drama group, an athletic group, a fine arts group, a trade union ferson and Reese High School mittee, YCL; Elizabeth Gurley until it reaches a lower level group which have put new life in the branch.

Novelty! The discussion in the Waterfront Branch of the YCL showed that the members were not being given the thing of play with an eighteen-point York Young Communist League. they were interested in-serious education about serious trade rally. union problems. So they put their heads together and evolved a Trade Union Generalship Class for the main feature of each branch meeting.

Now April begins—the last lap on the stretch to the national convention on May 2. The discussion period is not over-the branches still have not yet discussed the problems of national policy outlined in Gil Green's speech, they have only begun to incorporate all their ideas into resolutions to be sent to New York, April should open the nominations for branch delegates to the convention. The whole purpose of the convention is to cement the YCL's ties with the majority of young people. No branches have Woodside district have yet involved non-Communist youth and their leaders in the discussion on how to improve the work of the League

Entering the last lap-let's turn our attention now to discussing and passing resolutions on national policies—to the elec-Dorothy is improving rapidly the proceeds going to the aid of tion of delegates after a hot competitive campaign—to involving non-Communist youth in the pre-convention discussion!

### fruit, which they themselves can eat. The Bunner of Unionism Hying Higher in Sports

Recreation Center man will ents who aren't awake. But finals at Boston.

won their strike they made a knowledge. If San Francisco bellied boys pick up a Western big name for labor. And their keeps up its pace (oops, what's Worker and snort, "Propagandy, OAKLAND Laying the blame boxing win certainly adds to that you say, the Cannery and that's what it is, propagandy"? for the condition on the school their reputation. How do you Preserve Workers Union is plan- That was my impression of a for the condition on the selfor. It is think labor's stock will stand ning a team too?) little Lefty story in the San Francisco curriculum, not the teacher, Dr. think labor's stock will stand ning a team too?) little Lefty story in the San Francisco can't see why we shouldn't have News.

San Francisco. Will these kids They Practiced What Dr. Melbo's survey, covering grow up to be loyal union men They Preached

That means that the Union whether it's just our correspond- izer. represent the West Goast in the there ain't hide nor hair of a Sports Deserve a union sports movement in the Better Sponsor When the maritime unions Southland according to our Ever hear one of them pothad in New York, to get the panies will enter teams in the

that the unions up thar in the county organizers and all of the Ordinarily I don't believe all hub of the gold rush won't stand, biggest-even they have a basread in the papers. But this for no Frisco or New York out- ketball team now. Yessir, last time, after much checking up, I fits getting the jump on them. week the District Functionaries Out Illustrated A couple of weeks ago a group advise you to take their word So the ILA Warehousemen's Un- of the YCL played the District of specially invited YCLers from for it. Last week, the San Fran- ion of the capital city have gone Functionaries of the Internation- Magazine on Spain and they huffed and out came largest Filipino organizations in Show at Amateur Bouts." Broth- jab when news comes in on YCL Functionaries. It is rum- America, California active in organizing er Lloyd DeLucci, carrying the horseback that the American ored that the score came when bursting in Madrid's Times agricultural workers. Good luck, Union Recreation Center colors Federation of Government Em- the IWO forwards were moved Square, youth battallions, fightin the Pacific Coast elimination playees now boasts of a string down by a two-hour report from ing in the Guadarrama moun-You ought to see our office. bouts for the national finals of of hoopsters too It looks like a county organizer, the center tains, demonstrations in New April 5 to college students whole southwest region, includoutline and the basket itself just war heroes—are the features of National Student Federation of Dr. Bollinger, director of the torium when he socked out a geles is just sleeping in the sun bed for the ball at a sugges- "Spain" just issued by the Univictory in the 180-pound class. on the matter of sports, or tion from the District Organ- ted Youth Committee to Aid

of the biggest firms in town are entered. Anglo-California Bank, Columbia Steel, Metropolitan Now here is something for the Life Insurance, Standard Oil are Daily Worker of Monday, book! This sports stuff has a few. Propagandy that's what gone so far in the New York it is. Propagandy for a 100 per vention article on Educational Young Communist League that cent union sports movement to Work in California, Have

# BYPU OF CAL.

Convention Also on Record Upholding Peace Strike

Close to two thousand delegates to the California Cenvention of the Baptist Young People's Thion met at Redlands ple's Union met at Redlands University, March 12, 13, and 14 and endorsed the California Act, the April 22 Student tion of the Baptist Young Peo-ple's Union met at Redlands in which "cooperation takes the place of profit."

For More Discussion The conference urged that church forums be formed to discuss social problems, that special attention be paid to seeking out violations of minimum wage and child labor laws.

The delegates registered dissatisfaction at the fact that many churches are placing "Christian ethics secondary to gaining the favor of a few reactionary

Other resolutions adopted in-cluded a denunciation of William Randolph Hearst and a request for legislation which would forbid injunctions against unions munist League of America.

# TROM LOS ANGELES to Eureka a new spirit has been FIRST DEFEAT, the front of the young generation, for jobs, peace and against will be a joint session of the extension with the Tea Garden Preserve war and fascism, winning the ecutive committees of the North-

Vikings Defeated Despite New Star Players

LOS ANGELES-The Renaissance YCL basketball team still leading party and YCL figures led the South Central League will address the Garden Youth led the South Central League, despite an upset March, when the league leaders bowed for the first time to the cellar Toberman Eagles by a score of 50-40.

had knocked predictions into a Party, USA.; Gil Green, Nat'l cocked hat with a 33-27 win over Secy. Young Communist League occasion by the addition of Jefand Compton J.C. stars.

The YCLers lead their nearest rivals in club standing, the Neighborhood Bears, by two games. The Vikings follow with Front, Oakland Bertheada Presbyterian in fourth Front, Oakland place, the Crusaders in fifth and the Toberman Eagles tailing at the bottom of the heap.

#### YCL Girls' Team to Play Catholic Girls

NEW YORK-Sports are key to cooperation among youth groups! This was proved again when the Young Communist League of New York had its men's Union pickets were ar- side, enchanted by the attracfirst opportunity to meet young Catholic groups-on the basketball court!

The All-Star YCL girls' team has just scheduled a two-game and four faced "hung" juries, and were heard from last in Okseries with the St. Joseph's On an appeal to the court of lahoma City. But the Covered Catholic Club, champion girls' Superior Judge Leon Gray, the Wagon was THE feature of the parochial school team. One game will be played at the St. Joseph's home court in the Cath-

## Youth Group Puts

A message from Fernando De Spanish Democracy. Single copcisco at 10 cents.

#### Vital Cause

From New York to Seattle, young people are doing it! A 290-pound Cornell freshman is "sitting down" in the easy chair of the Kappa Gamma Psi fraternity at Ithica, N. Y. to protest against the fraternity initiating paddling.

Calliornia YCL/ers! The

#### 4000 SCHOOL KIDS IN NEED

Four thousand San Francis-

partment is spending \$10,000 annually to supply food, principally milk, to school children, it is far from answering the real necessity in our

Foster, Browder Ane Social Welfare will convene for Among Speakers of Opening Session

Among the chief highlights of

# Anti-Picket Repeal

driven into the coffin of anti- fifteen flat tires on the crosspicketing laws by youth activity country trip, rumors are now when the cases against 19 Uni- going the rounds of New York evrsity of California American that "I swear, I saw it with my Students Union members cases own eyes. The Covered Wagon were dismissed by Police Judge had a Washington, D. C., license treasurt hunt, a moonlight hike,

immediately, three convicted, storming tour across the map convictions were reversed on grounds that peaceful picketing was lawful.

The victory recalled to trade unionists the service students did Epworth League for organized labor in 1935 when the Berkeley anti-leaflet distri-bution ordinance was made a O.K.'S Youth Act dead letter by mass violation.

#### Go To War?

portance of Christian youth tak-CHILDREN HELP ing social action in a keynote LOS ANGELES-Twelve and speech. ies or bundle order available at thirteen-year-old children are Herb Meyers, California Dis-121 Haight Street, San Fran- doing their bit to aid their trict Third (social-action) vice-Spanish brothers and sisters chairman and Mort Newman, They have organized a sewing Los Angeles social action chaircircle and make bandages to be man, presented the resolution for the California Youth Act.

### 500 Delegates Will Attend Hearings on

co school children are in need of supplemental feeding, Health Director J. C. Geiger declared.

"The situation is steadily growing worse," Dr. Geiger said. "While the Health De-

# ning, Mayor Frank Ferguson of

It is expected that the regular Youth delegates from 48 states of the union, representing a nasmall for the delegation. Leadtional membership of 13,000, will ers of youth organizations and convene in New York City's experts on youth problems will largest indoor arena, Madison Square, on May 2nd, for the opprove the need for the Califorening session of the 8th National nia Youth Act. Convention of the Young Com-

the Convention proceedings will will visit Governor Merriam, be the adoption of a Constitution seeking his approval of their and a Program of Action on the bill, local assemblymen and senfollowing key issues: Building ators. the front of the young genera- Later in the afternoon there cisco local opened negotiations youth to the trade unions, build- ern and Southern California Asing and transforming the Young semblies of Youth, together with minimum for men. Organizing Communist League into a mass legislators and attorneys, to plan drives were underway at Puritan organization. The struggle of the next steps in the campaign. youth against war and fascism will occupy a significant share of the convention proceedings.

Opening Speakers Prominent trade unionists and

will address the Garden Youth Convention. They include William Foster, chairman of the Central Committee, Communist Party, USA.; Earl Browder, The week before, the YCL boys Gen'l Secy. of the Communist chairman of the National Com-Flynn, leader of the famous 1912, The defeat by the Tobermans 1926 textile strikes, and John came in the last two minutes Little, State Secy., of the New

BERKELEY-Another nail was dismay the pioneers after their plate on it. It must be Oliver Youngs in Berkeley.

The cases arose last September | phoney. when students and Warehouserested on charges of violation of tions of New York City, where the Berkeley picketing ordinance they decided to take up their in the Woolworth strike.

Two students were acquitted The rest took off for a barn-

Will "Johnny get his gun" and fight in the next war? To answer this question, a 13 and 14, at Pacific Palisades. peace ballot will be distributed Representatives from

Provisions of the California

Democratic Youth Commission

with three union men, one racial,

Nouth Act in Brief:

youth one student.

school students.

THAT YOUR WILL FIGHT FOR AT

minority representative, three race, politics, or union affilia-

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- \$20 monthly minimum for col- F., 331 Douglas Building, Los

#### La Youth Act for Cal. Five hundred young people from all parts of the State, representing all types of organizations are expected to converge at Sacrimento, April 8 and 9, for hearings before the Assembly Committee of Social Welfare as the second great step in the movement for passage of the California Youth Act. Organized by the Northern xand California Assemblies of Youth, bodies called together to draft the California Youth Act, the pilgrimage will arrive in Sacramento Thursday, April 8. TO ORGANIZE Mayor to Speak

At a mass meeting that eve-

Sacramento, together with lead-

ing officials in the state depart-

The Assembly Committee on

the hearings on the morning of

April 9. Tentative plans pro-

vide that the hearing will be

held in the Assembly chambers.

committee rooms will be too

present testimony aiming to

Delegates to Visit Merriam

Covered Wagon Was a Hit,

Now on Way Home

The sign scrawled across the

canvas on the side of the Cov-

or Bust-American Youth Act

or We're Busted." It was the

California delegation to the Pil-

grimage of Youth in Washing-

ton, D. C. The sign was right.

They got to Washington. And

then the trouble began. First

of all, the last issue of the

Champion of Youth printed the

picture of the caravan over a

caption: Washington State Dele-

As if that wasn't enough to

Two pilgrims fell by the way-

Endorsement of the California

Youth Act and the Student Peace

Strike on April 22 featured the

Los Angeles Regional Conference

of the Epworth League, March

Wesley Foundation stress the im-

Vocational training.

Recreation centers.

Union hourly rates of pay.

No discrimination because of

bly of Youth, 268 Market St., S.

home.

pilgrimage.

That afternoon, the delegates

ment of education, will speak.

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#### Committees Active as Canning Season Begins

IN CANNERIES

As trucks and railroads poured the spring spinach crop into the canneries up and down the state. the drive for unionization of young cannery and agricultural workers pushed forward with meetings of workers at two more San Francisco canneries and the opening of negotiations with the

employers at another firm. The strike at the H.J. Heinz Co. in Berkeley remained firm but deadlocked. The San Fran-Co., demanding 50c an hour minimum for women and 60c an hour

Preserve and IXL Companies. Organize in Santa Clara The committee for agricultural organization, backed by the entire labor movement of Santa Clara County, moved ahead with the establishing of organizing committees in Sunnyvale, Mountainview and other cannery

towns of that area. Meeting at the opening of the season, the state committee of the Young Communist League declared, "What the steel industry is in the east, agriculture ered Wagon said: "Washington is in California. About fifty per cent of the workers in agriculture are young people. Labor in California will not be organized till agriculture is organized. The youth of California will not be won for unionism till agriculture is unionized. We will have to do for the agricultural and cannery workers, what the Young Communists in the east did for the steel workers."

#### Picnic for Spain

LOS ANGELES-The North American Youth Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy has announced a picnic to be held at Griffith's Park. Mass games, a a trip to the Planetarium and a short play reading are planned to fill out the day's festivities. A tentative date of April 4th

has been set. Los Angeles

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YCL National Convention

# Los Angeles People Rallying Behind Platform of J. A. Ford

# IN.L. A. RASE

'Western' Interviews People's Nominee For Mayor

LOS ANGELES - In sharp contrast to the humbug of incumbent Mayor Frank L. Shaw, who is running for re-election on the lie of "Every Promise Fulfilled." John Anson Ford, opposing Shaw outlined a clear position on labor, unemployment and civil rights to a "Western" correspondent.

Under administration of Shaw and Police Chief Davis, free been trod under the heel of the Kill Fake 'Relief'

"Red Squad," Ford declared: "I would guarantee and proteet the rights of minority political and religious groups and I would oppose any attempt to deprive them of their constitutional rights of free speech, free assembly and free press."

Recently, corrupt political interests, in an attempt to block his election, have spread rumors that Ford was once a member of the Ku Kink Klan.

He's Anti-Vigilante

any vigilante organization," said lative Conference. Klux Klan.'

Ford pledged his complete support of the rights of labor to strike, picket and bargain collectively.

"I believe that labor is emerging into a new fundamental relationship with society, and that relationship must have a permanent place in our society,'

Scores Shaw as Strike-Breaker In reply to a question, Ford stated: "I am opposed to strike-

breaking. "In much of its relationship to social and economic situations, such as strikes, the present police policy has been characterized by blundering bulldozing, and in some instances officers appear to have been subsidized by the very interests violently opposed to the laboring man and wholly unaware of his just cause.

"The administration of police force must be actuated by an honest, sympathetic understanding of broad social and economic issues which are now being

sharply defined." Of importance to the unem- Minnesota Plans ployed workers was his statement that "I am for the continuance and expansion of WPA with the setting up of WPA as an independent, semi-permanent institution."

For Housing Program On the acute housing problem, Ford said:

"I believe that a housing program conceived and promoted by independent real estate interests might have gotten a great deal further in Los Angeles. I would support any housing program based on the needs of the people of Los An-

Voicing the sentiments of the majority of the people, Ford declared; "I am opposed to Fascism and will do everything in my power to prevent the growth of Fascist' movements in L. A.

Backs Spain Government Ford said he would support

... Asked about Spain, Ford said: in Chicago: "Lam entirely in sympathy with

ganization as Municipal League, munist Party and the Young those Socialist Party organiza-Coordinating Council of Progressive Groups, Continuations Committee for United Political Action and United Youth Cam- cere progressives and revolution- Government of Spain under the paign Council, the campaign for ary workers, are watching your slogan: 'Down with the People's Ford's election is meeting with convention with deep concern. strong enthusiastic response from We believe that all progressive L. A. citizens.

gelus Hotel, 4th and Spring Sts., common fight against the forces clear that if the Socialist Party with branch offices throughout of reaction, are vitally concerned wishes to grow as a working the city.

#### Oregon Progressive Political Meet Next Month in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore.- The Oregon Commonwealth Federation. counterpart of the larger and better-known Washington Commonwealth Federation, is calling a conference of all progressive organizations to decide whether there shall be an Oregon progressive party, to be held in Portland April 23 and 24.



HERE'S one of those lowest of the low-a scab in the 5 and 10 strike in New York. The girls won their sitdown strike,

SACRAMENTO-Defeat of As sembly Bills 1177 and 950, which would cut thousands of people off relief and would mean return in many counties from cash reief to "grocery baskets," is urged by the People's Lobby "I have never belonged to of the California People's Legis-

that I once belonged to the Ku vides that relief authorities can owners-"arbitration." send unemployed workers into strike areas to scab, and an relief to workers on strike.

Social Service and Welfare.

all unions and other progressive mention the fact. organizations, as well as individuals, contact these committees through the "Major Disaster Orand insist that these bills be kil- dinance" without holding a single

The People's Lobby further ized labor a chance to be heard. urged support of Assembly Bill 1879, as amended by the Progressive Social Welfare Plan, which would recognize strengthen the State Dept. of Social Welfare, and would protect the tax payer and the unemployed by specifying that the Social Welfare Board must include a representative of the organized unemployed.

#### People's Lobby of March on Capitol

ST. PAUL, Minn.-The People's Lobby of Minnesota is planning a march on the state capitol here on April 5, to assure LABOR PARTY VICTORY passage of the progressive Farmer-Labor legislative program beimportant progressive bills.

# DRIVES HARD IN ELECTIONS

Slogan Is 'Out With Strike - Breaking City Council'

OAKLAND - With the battle cry, "Out With the Strikebreakist Party launched an intense was opposing the President's election drive here.

gressive people, is the Party plan), and stated: standard bearer for City Council, opposing the reactionary incumbent, De Paoli.

Support Veteran Unionist Also back by the Party is Wm. Wilkerson, of the Union of Professional Workers. For Board of Education, the C.P. is supporting Vane V. Dart, Carpenters Union. Devil" has bowed before the because of any election defeat, land labor movement, has always California. fought for a progressive program in his union and Central Labor Raps McGroarty . . . Council. Hundreds of workers have attended trade unionism classes he has conducted.

The present City Council, part and parcel of the Republican Groarty, was mighty good. "Kelly machine," is notoriously reactionary. During the maritime strike, the council president (titular mayor) Wm. McCracken loudly denounced the strikers Ford, "and I deny the rumor A section of A. B. 1177 pro- and sang the song of the ship-

> When the Council received a communication from the United "pauper's oath" on all receiving Auto Workers Union, denouncing relief. The bill also would give brutality of a local police capcounties the legal right to deny tain, it turned it over to the city manager without even read-A. B. 1177 is in the committee ing it. When Chief Waldmen on Public Charities and Correc- sent Oakland police to attack tion; A. B. 950, in Committee on workers in the city of Alameda, in violation of the city charter, The People's Lobby urges that the council did not so much as

This same council railroaded hearing, without allowing organ-

#### Texas Workers' Kids Killed to Save Gas Bill-Excuse Given

NEW LONDON, Tex.-No a empt will be made to prosecute ndividuals for the school explosion and its tragic toll of bil workers' children here although evidence showed wealthy royalty-holders, the school board majority bought expensive athletic and scientific equipment, but not safe fuel.

"We wanted to save the gas bill," was the gist of testimony

SYDNEY, Australia-The Labor Party of Tasmania elected fore the Legislature, and to de- 20 out of 30 members of Parfeat reactionary efforts to kill liament in the recent general his pro-fascist program.

### LABOR AND POLITICS In California and Nationally

By John Broman

AT LEAST ONE U. S. SENATOR FROM CALIFORNIA has seen the people's handwriting on the wall and reconsidered an early stand opposing the plan to curb the autocratic Supreme Court.

J. M., of Pasadena, writes to inform the "Western" that ing City Council," the Commun- a report that Senator McAdoo, most active opponents of the

President's plan to reorganize

gun to fight fascism.

needs for the people.

House Action on

American two centuries ago.

The people must be eternally

to defend every inch of the

democratic gains which they

plan was incorrect (San Francis-Herbert Schultz, well known co papers of about six weeks ago the federal judiciary. to East Bay workers and pro- quoted McAdoo as attacking the "Let us give the Devil his America's "Man on Horseback" dues. I am sure you must not and is busy organizing nazi-type

be aware that Senator McAdoo storm troopers. recently gave a national radio broadcast favoring Roosevelt's We Still Must Fight . . . court reorganization plan."

J. M. also wrote: "Your article in last issue concerning the reactionary-plus attitude of my Congressman, Mc-

"McGroarty has heard from me, and will hear again on the score of making his side known have won in the course of years in the reactionary Republican L. of stubborn struggle, and to

ed with Townsend pension move- wherever it appears. ment support in the 11th District, wrote a long article in the the workers and poor farmers to the fishing industry, and in the L. A. Times attacking the plan fight for their bread and blutter unemployed. The ILA fraction to unpack Wall Street's Su- today. It means organizing the will take as its main task the preme Court. Workers and small unorganized workers, repealing rallying of all progressives in farmers put McGroarty in of- laws that cripple labor, such as the union around a progressive fice, and the more protests he the California Criminal Syndi- program. hears from his constituents on calism Act and anti-picketing orhave to quit representing the ple and placing it upon the Central Labor Council. Tories of the L. A. Times.

Fascists Still Active . . .

News reports that the Rev. Ger- building a powerful Farmer-Laald L. K. Smith, who threatened bor Party, and means that over, this local, properly guided, storm-troopers during the 1936 get to first base with their pro-

up striking Hitler poses before States. the mirror. The Rev. Smith is in New York busily trying to organize Pressure Forces a "Committee of One Million,"

supposedly against "radicalism. and actually against the entire Anti-Lynch Bills organized labor movement. The Smith-Coughlin-Lemke butfit didn't quit stooging for

feat at the polls.

Wm. Lemke is one of the been introduced.

## PLAN-PARTY LIFE COLUMN

Plan Work With Oil And Maritime Workers

SAN PEDRO - The Harbor Section convention of the Communist Party adopted the follow ing resolution, which reads in

"In evaluating our experience in the maritime strike, the con-And now comes the news that vention judged the Party fulfilled the Rev. Smith still wants to be faithfully and well our role as vanguard of the working class. However, certain organizational weaknesses prevented us from reaping the benefit we should have. We, therefore, determined Just as the fascists didn't give in order to overcome the weak-We're glad to hear that "the up the ghost for Wall Street nesses shown in that strike, and in order to solidify the unity of Dart, an old timer in the Oak- storm of public sentiment in so must labor and the small the working class in the harbor farmers and progressives gener- and to lead them marching at ally realize they have just be- the head of the People's Front here-on the following tasks to "Eternal vigilance is the price be accomplished in the period of liberty," said a revolutionary

up to May 1: Work Among Longshoremen "1. The main link to accomplishing all our tasks in the vigilant today, as never before, harbor is establishment of a strong unit and fraction in the ILA. In this work we must use all available Party forces directfight to extend these gains. The ly, through contacting individuals, selling literature, etc., and McGroarty, a Democrat elect- fascist snake must be scotched we must also use all possible indirect influences, through our Fighting fascism means for positions in other marine unions,

"2. We must stabilize our this issue, the more this repre- dinances, lifting the burden of leadership in the seagoing crafts. sentative will learn tha the will taxation from the working peo- Maritime Federation Council. and

"3. Discrimination against Nerich, fighting on a thousand and one issues that are immediate groes on the waterfront can be fought most concretely by giv-The National Farm Holiday A fight along these lines means ing aid and leadership to the Cotton Compress Local. Moreto organize a million fascist Coughlin, Smith & Co. will not can be the lever to move masses of Los Angeles Negro workers election campaign, hasn't given Hitler program in the United toward the trade unions and toward the Farmer-Labor Party.

Bring Party Into Open "4. Our forces in the fishing industry must be better organized and equipped to become the decisive force in the San Pedro

Central Labor Council. "5. Together with these forts to move the masses WASHINGTON. D. C .- Suffi- trade union members in the cient House support to force right direction, through fraction Wall Street after their attempt House action on anti-lynching work, we must intensify our efto get Landon elected last No- bills on April 12, has been se- forts to bring the face of the berti was endorsed for city counvember was knocked into a cured here. A drive to require Party into the open in San Pedro. cocked hat; the whole outfit is a House act was completed when This means getting a hall where week by another organization, just reorganizing along new 218 names were obtained to the we can hold meetings, organlines, after their crushing de vote-forcing petition on the Gav- izing a new members' street unit agan anti-lynching bill, which in the town, establishing regular Father Coughlin said he would provides fines against counties street sales of the Western Worknever broadcast again, when the where lynchings occur or where er, building our friendly organelection results were announced; a prisoner is forcibly removed izations, setting up adequate he's now back on the air with by a mob for lynching. More technical apparatus to get out than 50 anti-lynch bills have unit leaflets regularly and the marine and oil bulletins - the "Port Light" and "The Oil Work-

> "6. The good work begun in must not lag for lack of orces; therefore, the recruiting of oil workers must become the central task for our Party in Long Beach.

"7. Additional influence on the bear in Long Beach by organizing our forces in the light industries, into a trade union unit of temporary nature, to develop "In order to meet the needs them as rapidly as possible into

Jobless Struggles "8. To mobilize the unemployed against starvation, our fractions in the Workers Alliance must be made to function and recruiting must be organized sys-

zational and political guidance of "c) United action in support our Party, we are setting up a of the legislative demands of the Section Committee to meet twice masses; in curbing the dictatorial monthly, a buro to meet weekly. forces, the agents of the infam- powers of the Supreme Court; a unit organizers meeting to ous Citizens' Alliance, against the in promoting the growth of the be held alternate to the Section

New Leaders "10. To begin development of enemy of the Farmer-Labor "d) United action in the strug-Party. All this they have done gle for Negro rights; building ganizing a functionaries' class in the name of the Socialist and extending the National Negro for six weeks, immediately after the convention.

"11. We shall greet May Day plishment of a membership with

### Garment Strike Won

#### Court Curb Will Aid Higher Pay, Shorter Hours

"I should like to emphasize that nothing will do more in the long run to make easier the work of organizing the unorganized, of raising wages, and of shortening hours, 'than to GET THE FEDERAL COURT REFORM PROGRAM ADOPTED!"

-Executive Vice-President E. L. Oliver, at national convention of Labor's Non-Partisan League.

### **Support of Court** Plan Pledged by Working People

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Visiting President Roosevelt at the White House March 8, a delegation from the national conventior

mentality of Labor's NonPartisan League, we have called upon the President to assure him that the working people of the country are with him to a man in his fight to reform the federal judiciary.

"The President said, in his Victory Dinner address, that court reform must be had NOW. We have just told him his inerpretation of the needs of the nation coincides exactly with our own. We, too, want action NOW Labor Supports Plan

"Labor is rallying throughout the United States in support of 'he President's program to give us a federal judiciary that will In L.A. Recital expedite instead of block the will of the people and the needs of the people. "Our delegates will go back

nto every Congressional district in America to see to it that members of Congress are told what the great masses of the people want. It is the business of Congress, we feel, to enact the wishes and the will of the people into law. . .

"We are going to work and we are going to get results. The most vital issue of our time must be settled NOW and settled

## More Labor Aid

LOS ANGELES-Henry J. Alcil from the 2nd district last Federated Voters of the Los Angeles Amusement Organizations, an organized labor group. "The Federated Voters is the

political arm of the Union Labor Amusement Organizations in the city and county of Los Angeles," wrote President Paul O. Paulson "and all of its affiliated local unions are sincere in their efforts to make your campaign

Since the organization represents more than 75,000 votes, the Alberti campaign headquarters at 5540 Hollywood Blvd. considers the endorsement a signal

Campaign Booming The campaign for Alberti now has a flying squadron of speakers to visit all organizations in the district, and campaign volunteers visiting each voter. They are being met with enthusiasm and encouragement, campaign workers report.

Despite denial of a permit to hold a parade Monday evening, the campaign committee is going ahead with plans for the be secured.

station WMTR Monday, April 5, 7:30 to 8 p.m. His union, Musicians 47, has donated a string ensemble for the program. Jack B. Tenney, assemblyman,

46th district; Central Labor Council; Co-ordinating Council of Progressive Groups; End Poverty League; Workers Alliance; Leo Gallagher; J. W. Gillette; Dr. Floyd Seaman; Dr. E. P. Ryland; Youth Federation for United Political Action, and many others have endorsed him.

#### ASSEMBLY ASKS GOVERNOR FOR **MOONEY PARDON**

SACRAMENTO-In an Assembly vote of 42 to 27, Governor Merriam has been called upon LOS ANGELES-The 7-months to grant a full and immediate The Assembly resolution

now before the Senate. Argument for the pardon re-Maloney of San Francisco.

But Southern People Force Governors To Back Plan

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Representing the wealthy land-owning, mint julep-drinking "aristocracy" of the South, Senator Carter Glass ("of Virginia, suh!") picked up the cudgels of Wall Street last Monday to attack the federal judiciary reform plan in a nation-wide broadcast.

Like Hitler Glass launched into a bitter tirade of fascist ideology, stat-

"With private property seized at will, with rebellion rampant of Labor's Non-Partisan League against good order; with governissued the following statement: ments pleading with mobocracy "Representing and speaking for instead of mastering it, we seem the wage earners of America and to have reached that period of their friends, through the instru- peril which Gov. Roosevelt envisioned seven years ago."

Mass pressure of the workers and farmers of the South told heavily in favor of the Supreme Court curb plan, however, when four governors of southern states took to the radio to defend the President's plan. They were Bibb Graves of Alabama, Olin D. Johnson of South Carolina, E. D. Rivers of Georgia, and Richard W. Leche of Louis-

#### Pauline Koner Stars With Soviet Dances

LOS ANGELES-Demonstrating her belief there must be "healthy art for healthy ideas," Pauline Koner, noted New York dancer returned from the Soviet Union, presented a solo dance recital at the Biltmore Theater on March 25.

Presenting Soviet, Palestine, Oriental, Modern, and Spanish groups, Miss Koner excelled particularly in her Soviet and Palestine dances, the two funeral satires, and in her last Spanish dance.

"Soviet workers like to dance," said Miss Koner at a reception given for her. She told of the great opportunities for the Soviet people really to enjoy and appreciate the dance.

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### Reaction; Ousting Of Trotzkyites

defense of the Spanish Republic tions and leading councils? any movement for repeal of the organized, the Communist Party ites in the recent Moscow trial Criminal Syndicalism Act, and Central Committee last week sent has unmasked these counter-regave complete support to the the following letter, signed by volutionists as the saboteurs of California Youth Act. The fight | William Z. Foster, chairman and | Socialist construction in the Sofor Tom Mooney also has his Eearl Browder, general secretary viet Union as wreckers and as-

the Loyalist government as the to your special convention in perialism. lemocratically organized gov- the name of the Central Commiternment of the Spanish people." tee of our Party and the more With endorsement of such or- than 50,000 members of the Com-Communist League.

Decisions of Deep Concern forces in the country which are united action of our two parties of Latimer, the strikebreaker and in Congress; Headquarters are at the An- moving in the direction of a became more difficult. Is it not

about the decisions you will class organization, it cannot tolto state our views at length on of the leaders of your party, inthe need for united action be-tween the Socialist Party and our identified themselves with the Party. We have stated them re-peatedly. We addressed a letter fense of Leon Trotzky and there-

developments which make united

C. P. Letter to Socialist Convention Calling for a united front in meated many of your organiza- ing in membership and influence.

and for organization of the un- "The exposure of the Trotzkyto the Socialist Party Convention | sassins, as helpmates of Fascism in the war provocations of Hit-"We extend fraternal greetings ler, Mussolini and Japanese im-

Slander of Spanish Govt. "In the United States these same Trotzkyites, in the name of tions which they dominate, have carried on the most vicious cam-"We, in common with all sin- paign against the People's Front

> Front Government!' "Under such conditions the erate Trotzkyites in its midst?

"It is not necessary for us "And yet to our regret, some convention draw the necessary ing and extension of the peace with the revolutionary accombeen many new and important strength of the Soviet Union. S. P. Loses Ground

to your National Executive Com- by become partners in the most Party and of Socialism. This movement. We hope that your mittee on this question last No- slanderous campaign of lies in- will give new strength to the decisions will strengthen the vember. Since then, there have tended to undermine the Socialist Party; it will enable struggles against war and Fas-"At the very time when the ment. It will open the road to on an ever wider front, the time marked by frequent clashes, has country is experiencing the comradely and fraternal collab- will come when we can, through been settled, with a 36 hour "But it is precisely in this greatest forward movement of oration between our two parties a greater unity, lead the Amer- week and collective bargaining solution was led by Assembly-

Asks United Fight on action between our two parties, the leadership of the Committee labor and anti-Fascist movement which was already begun with for Industrial Organization, the Do not the splendid growth of so much promise before your growth of the trade unions and both the Socialist and Communlast convention. Is it not clear the Workers Alliance as the re- ist Parties of France, and the oil industry can be brought to the reason for this is the poison cognized leader of the unemploy- unprecedented development of of Trotzkyism which has per- ed, the Socialist Party is declin- the French trade unions show this to be true? This decline resulted because, under the influence of the Trotzkyites, a sectarian opportunist of the class struggle through good trade unionists. joint action, we urge that your

policy was followed. "In addition to this, there is convention elect a committee to the negative and harmful posi- meet with a similar one of our tion of many Socialists toward Party to explore the possibility the Farmer-Labor Party move- of united action on one or all ment as a result of the role of the following points: pursued by the Trotzkyites. Where the Trotzkyite policies in of aid for the defense of Spain; the unemployed and the unions, the trade unions, among the un- "b) Joint action in organizing especially in agriculture and the employed and in the fight for the unorganized, and support of canneries, will strengthen both the Farmer-Labor Party will lend the wage demands of the work- groups. the Socialist Party, can already ers, and of the demands of the "9. To insure correct organibe seen in the recent develop-

ments in Minnesota. They (the Trotzkyites) have united with all the reactionary progressives in the trade unions Farmer-Labor movement; and in Committee. and in support of the candidacy furthering progressive legislation Party which they dominate in Congress movement; the State. We urge that your "d) Joint action for the build-

conclusions. "We hope that your convention | "We hope your convention will 150 paid up books!" will take decisive measures take the steps necessary to make

Program for United Action

"a) Mobilization of every form tematically. Cooperation between parade, confident the permit will

unemployed:

movement.

against these enemies of the la- it a powerful force for the build- 7-Months Old L. A. bor movement, of the Socialist ing of a strong, united labor it to grow and become a vital cism, and that through our com- old strike of 100 workers at the pardon to Tom Mooney. force in the militant labor move- mon experiences in joint action Rosenbloom garment plant, period that it has been more dif- the working class, the organiza- to the mutual advantage of both, ican masses to the final goal— with the Amalgamated Clothing man Richie of San Diego and ficult to carry forward united tion of the unorganized under and to the benefit of the entire socialism in our country!" workers granted. ficult to carry forward united tion of the unorganized under and to the benefit of the entire socialism in our country!"

## WORKERS' CORRESPONDENCE

Yuma Sit-down Won-Grass Valley Vigilante Threat L. A. Union Hits Betrayal

# RIVERSIDE JAIL TELL WORKERS

Frame-Up Victims in Description of Foul Bldg.

By a Worker Correspondent

SAN BERNARDINO-The following article is from two workers who recently served 45 days in Riverside City Jail for the frame-up charge of distributing leaflets:

Although still maintaining our innocence at a trial by a Fascist judge and jury of reactionaries, we were found guilty in 15 minutes. Witness after witness testified against us, and on their so-called testimony we were convicted.

Lots of Bugs

While incarcerated in that condemned building, the jail, we had lots to contend with-yes, a lot of bedbugs and cockroaches. Although we could see for ourselves that the building isn't a place for humans, our statement that it is condemned can be verified by one of the employees of the police department.

The visiting hours were 1 to p. m. on Sundays, but when we began our sentence, the hours were reduced to minutes and only 10 minutes were allowed for two workers at a time. These workers were compelled to sign in a book before being allowed

But in spite of that cowardly rule, made by rats classing themselves as "Americans," our. friends continued to visit us in large groups, and the taking of signatures was discontinued. So we know that mass pressure is a good weapon.

**Foul Conditions** 

Referring back to unsanitary conditions, I will also expose the bedding. - While we were there, the bedding was not washed or aired. The dirt and bugs accumulated day after day, and no effort was made by the officials to see that the filth was eliminated. The assistant police chief, Roy Thomas, is responsible for such conditions.

Visitors are never seen entering the jail to inspect it. On one occasion I recall they did have school children inspect the place, and this remark was heard by several of the inmates: "Gee, it stinks in here!" I guess the kiddies were glad to breathe fresh

air once more. The food had a lot to do with the scent. Many a sour "meal" was sent in there, and I witnessed several cases of inmates complaining of sickness.

Books Barred

Although we political prisoners were the only two who looked into the unbearable conditions, we found out for ourselves governors refused to pardon in what is going on in that con- the Mooney-Billings case. demned building.

U. S. Constitution was brought resented in courts." in by a worker and it was turned down. So the following Sunday a Bible was sent in, and either through ignorance or from organized labor. prejudice on the part of Asst. Chief Roy Thomas that this occurred. I will leave the readers to draw their own conclusions.

#### Hurry and Make Your Bid for This Prize!

Only two more weeks to go until the deadline of April

"Soviet Communism," the historic two volumes by Sidney and Beatrice Webb, valued at \$7.50, can become yours FREE, in this contest for worker correspondents! Just follow these rules:

1. Your entry is a letter to the Workers' Correspondence Editor, Western Worker, 121 Haight St. San Francisco, telling in plain facts and words what the "Western" means to you and your fellow workers in factory, dock, ship, farm or neighborhood; concrete examples can best show this.

Letters must have name and address of writer. Name and addresses will NOT be published in the "Western."

3. Letters will be published; write them as long as you please, but some may have to be condensed for publication.

4. Letters must be postmarked before midnight, on April 15, to be eligible.

#### Riverside City Jail

**FEBRUARY 28, 1937** And in that jail house we must pay For "what we did" the other day. Now we had a jury trial And they found us guilty with a smlie. Although we showed the ordinance against the land, The judge said that it must stand. With that domineering fascist gaze, He said: "Forty-five days."

And in that filthy place To put a man is a disgrace. Among the smudge from the orange grove, In the bedding the fleas and bedbugs rove; We are not here like Ruth from Moab; We have the patience of old Job. In this jail house the food is poor; The bunks are hard, our backs are sore. And again the cops are "wise," They won't let us exercise; They want us to be skinny and thin, So it won't be hard to put us in agin.

#### How Many Did You Answer?

1-The rights of poor and middle farmers to river banks. Farmers' organizations in Stanislaus and other California counties have been fighting the PG&E and other big power corporations, who monopolize these rights.

2-Hernan Laborde. The Mexican trade unions are supporting him for the Chamber of Deputies.

3—The great railroad strike led by the American Railwaymen's Union in 1894.

4-The Teamsters, to which Green gave jurisdiction over all non-waterfront warehouses, even the warehousemen choose to be in the ILA Warehousemens Union.

5-The Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union; it is progressive. It is part of the Carpenters International, which grants it little auton-

### Kern County Labor Off of Senator

By a Worker Correspondent

BAKERSFIELD-A letter of the state senator, of the 34th senatorial district, J. J. Wagy, was read and discussed at our recent meeting in Bakersfield of the Central Labor Council.

Senator Wagy stated his "real good reasons" why he voted against concurrent resolution No. 18, to pardon Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings:

"1. Because the senate has no power to over-rule the court. "2. Because Senator Wagy knew nothing of the case, but

"3. Because four California

"4. Because the Mooney and On one occasion a book on the billings case was very well rep-

If that's all the intelligence PERMANENTLY JOBLESS he had, and not to look up and

By a Worker Correspondent

GIRARD, L. A. County-When

capitalism, masquerading as

class off the air there are con-

a move arouses thousands of

Radio stations receive thou-

of protest. From the angle of

profit this is bad because it

means that these same protestors

and thousands more who did

not bother to protest will no

longer patronize a sponsor who

cious program for one that cham-

Banned for Aiding Strikers

Dr. Painless Parker, who form-

erly sponsored The Philistine, a

guemanda may have had him

on the rack these last few weeks.

I know the Lincoln Heights Tor- thinks.

A case in point in that of and Mr. Manning.

pioned labor.

has substituted a stupid or vi-

crouchment upon democracy.

# WITH FASCIST

-BOB COOPER.

Hitler - Type Outfit In Hot Water As Racket

By a Worker Correspondent

BERKELEY - The fascist "Mantle Club" is to be investigated, according to the papers. centrated in the hands of a few doned his post! The worker told men with headquarters in Wil- him that he shouldn't have done

Bartlett Monjar, once promoter to do so. of the outlawed Decimo Club: It seems there is less room for A. L. Schipper, local secretary; and J. Fenton Jones, member of the national board of governors at Wilmington, to appear before Dep. Atty. William J. Connolly, and will reveal that the \$20 initiation fee and \$2 per month were never received by checkonly in cash. Disposition of these

funds will be investigated. Fascist Outfit The Fascist character of the 'Mantle Club" is indicated by its printed statement to pros-

"If you are the type of man who wants to change his mind after giving his word, we do not want you in the organization," and again, power is "concentrated in the hands of a few men who know what has to be done and how to do it."

Monthly meetings are held in a large local auditorium. Members are required to attend meetings regularly and each 10 men must phone their "captain" at specified times once a week. Tab is kept on the movements of all members. No professional men are admitted. The number of sucker members being filched all over the USA is said to be about 25,000. The organization is especially strong along the Pacific Coast.

WASHINGTON-In a report investigate the things that came on industrial technique made by after two days' discussion on it, up in the state senate, then he the Works Progress Administrait was finally admitted. It was does not deserve any support tion, little hope was held for the nation's unemployed.

California at least.

up to the time had been rather the Bostonians who speak only sure to lose.

unions.

tend to see that such a crime Mr. Manning says himself that old shacks.

not take into consideration. Such met the gentleman before?

### CANDY UNION Workers PRESIDENT IN BAD DEFEAT:

Reactionary Checked In Effort to Oust Rank-and-Filer

By a Candy Maker SAN FRANCISCO-At the last meeting of the Bakery and Confectionery Workers' Union, Local 24, the reactionary president tried to expel a fellow member on the ground that he was a tailor and had no right to be in a Candy Workers' Union.

This brother in question took the floor and stated that he was not a tailor, that he was a cutbelong to a cutters' and designers' union because as yet no such union existed, that his father was a tailor and had belonged to the Tailors' Union for a long

President Put on the Spot

Another worker took the floor in his defense and stated that signer but also a good candy worker. He made the workers see that the president was try- to send our wives and children ing to "frame up" the worker to spend the summer at the coast, the union including, the Washingin question.

so embarrassed that he abandoned his place and took a seat This club has all power, con- amongst the audience. He abanthat, that he had taken the floor Citations were issued for Hugh because he had a perfect right

Bernie Kaiser, local organizer: union fakers in San Francisco

STEEL STRIKE ENDS

LEBANON, Pa.—Organization efforts of the CIO shifted to the job as the 3-week strike in Bethlehem Steel here ended with a promise by the company of no discrimination.

Labor Wrath Hits Anti-Labor Air Talks

sequences which the capitalists Let me introduce Mr. Knox or plays the ponier; his luck Manning declares he is going to gent program with one of the

in their satisfaction probably do Manning of Boston, or have you is so bad he has given up such yell for volunteers we trade stock radio programs designed to

liberty loving Americans who I think he may be one of the church bazaar. He is just et lines and unload his furni- create the antagonism that is

the radio at a salary that you he lose on a maritime strike? right down to Dr. Painless Park-

Too Much for Mr. Manning

plaining the strikers' side of the tut! tut! What would Mary Baker Knox Manning just because they too and it is not surprising as Do you suppose the KHJ news

Douglas Aircraft strike, and our Eddy think of a Bostonian who want to get money enough to reporter was serious when he wigilante lords of the radio in would hold such a thought? But pay the rent on their miserable radio audience at the beginning pronounced it "Heel" Hitler?

But now if the maritime work-

Americanism, rules the working to his radio audience and pros- worst luck comes when he takes a strike. With Dirty Willie's ra-

passive about capitalisms en to the Cabots and the Lodges Now Mr. Manning is just wor. This program will surely in

sands of postcards and letters will never get until the work- He didn't exactly bet on it, er to get their dental work done.

beautiful California; it is quite knowing that California has quite

what the All Year Club claimed a reputation for handling strike

is guilty of the crime of ex- afraid he will have bad luck! household arrangements of Mr. ing the Douglas Aircraft strike long.

like to live as well as the bosses would like to have too.

But Mr. Manning is a good

attention to labor's side of any tiful California and help the All rives and he has to stay in his

current question. I have not Year Club and the others keep pleasant furnished apartment and

liberal who never failed to call going to settle down in our beau- when Mr. Manning's furniture ar- pose.

# Win Yuma Sit-Down

By a Field Worker YUMA, Ariz.—This spring lettuce prices have been exceptionally good, some going as high

growers have been eashing in on their crops. A few of the growers have volunteered to pass these good prices on to the workers in a small way, by raising wages five cents to ten cents per hour.

Win Sit Down Strike F. P. Fite, lettuce grower and shipper, failed to be as generous strikers and the entire memberto the field workers as some of ship of Local 28, but the strikers ter and designer, that he did not the other companies, so the and members of Local 15, Los workers, both cutters and pack- Angeles and Inglewood. He acers, went out on a sitdown strike tually forced the strike on the for a half day, thereby winning Los Angeles local six months a ten cents per hour raise. cents to 45 cents per hour, and would not settle unless Los Anpackers from 25 cents to 35 cents. geles settled.

"If We Had a Union . ." this worker had been one of the obtained without any union at Los Angeles, despite the few first to start organizing the un- all, what could be accomplished seabs in the factory. Kroehler ion, that he was a militant work- if we had a good strong agri- lost most of his business as a er, that he was not only a de- cultural union in our Yuma Val- result of constant picketing Italy because today we have a

We workers might not be able niture stores. as most of the big farmers do, an electric fan for the summer, or perhaps ice water to drink

Be There

Tuesday, April 6th-8 P. M. Sharp

Where Greed Took Toll of 455

MEN FROM New London and surrounding East Texas oil

towns carry away the dead from school building blown apart

by gas explosion which killed 455 children and teachers.

Whole atmosphere was surcharged with explosive "wet gas"

from nearby Standard Oil wells. Well-to-do school lobby had

cut corners on heating and ventilation plans.

doesn't happen again in sunny he never seems to win any of Mr. Manning is going to fight were entirely with the strik

pective customers is a honey, a chance on the slot machines die station at his disposal, Mr. pany has replaced this intelli-

except when he is speaking on ried sick-will he win or will spire all trade unionists to dash accustomed to finding a friend.

ers are well organized in trade but he did have his furniture So they can help pay the scabs slips through. This week the

it to be. There is just one thing situations, Mr. Manning plunked Dr. Parker whose clientele is Anti-Nazi-League's program "Mr.

wrong with it-we workers keep down a month's salary on a per- doutless composed largely of and Mrs. Haddock in Germany

throwing law breaking, un-Amer- fect dream of a house, the kind workers who take advantage of has missed some good fun and

ican sittlown strikes because we a million of us Californians his credit destistry as the work- instruction - KFWB Saturday

law-abiding Fascist and he is ers happen to be on a strike Parkers accomplish their pur- his neutrality agreement if the

ture.

Dr. Painless Parker's new gift family, and a good living; his if his furniture gets tied up in breaking employers.

life's prizes except health, a nice back at his old bogey bad luck ers anyplace and not with law

things and he is even afraid unionists call them scabs to go keep the people from thinking.

to risk a nickel on a raffle at right through those uncouth pick- It is disappointing, but doesn't

shipped from Boston via the Pan- and show their appreciation to March of Time gave a splendid

Cleverer Capitalists

ing class seldom has money to night 7:30.

121 Haight St.—Auditorium. Mass Conference of Western Worker readers. Auspices: Western Worker Editorial Staff. This is a long-awaited event. Pack the hall! Bring your friends and fellow workers.

# UPHOLSTERERS' LOCAL IN L. A

Charge S. F. Official With Betraying Strike

By an Upholsterer as \$5 per crate; therefore lettuce LOS ANGELES-S. S. King, reactionary business agent and sole dictator of Local 28, Upholsterers Union of San Francisco "settled" the strike of the Kroeher Furniture Manufacturers Company which lasted for about six months, March 9, without the knowledge of the strikers.

He not only doublecrossed the ago, promising as per agreement Cutters were raised from 35 between the two locals, that he

The plant in San Francisco Now, is such results can be was closed completely while in around the plant and at the fur-

ton Furniture Store, on Washing-Mr. President was all red and but we might be able to afford ton and Hill Sts., which gave in only about a week ago.

during hot weather-not many from San Francisco notifying Lo- nations, and that all the poor of us can get even those small cal 15 that no settlement would take place without Local 15. King did that in order to stave off suspicion because two days later another telegram came notifying Local 15 that the strike was settled which was a shock not only to the members of Local 28 but to Local 15 as well.

A committee was immediately elected by Local 15 and in conjunction with the International Vice-President Pierce Deamer, went to San Francisco to investigate. The reactionary King put every obstacle in the way of the committee to find out the real facts of the settlement. Deamer openly attacked him at a mem-bership meeting of Local 28 and charged him with betrayal, but it was of no avail-it was all

Local 15 decided to carry on the strike and win a victory. man" he is. Charges will be preferred by Local 15 to the General Executive Board against this double crosser who, by the way, is a member of the International General Executive Board.

Every member of Local 15 pledged at a special membership meeting held on Thursday, March 25, to double their efforts and fighting spirit and carry on until their victory has been gained.

CO. BROUGHT TO KNEES BRACKENRIDGE, Pa. - A lightning strike forced the Allegheny Steel Co. to sign a contract with the CIO steel union at midnight in a hurry.

ANTI-INJUNCTION BILL AUSTIN - The Texas house labor committee ignored railroad lobbyists and by unanimous vote favorably reported an anti-in-

The Southern Furniture Com-

felt when a listener finds an

Sometimes Something Slips

Occasionally a good program

junction bill.

No Union Business For Him alist victory over the Italians.

This should be a big help to Anyone who hasn't heard the

pay cash and will certainly have In today's radio news I hear less if such programs as Dr. that Mussolini may not keep

of his talk that his sympathies Page Mr. Hull quick!

Field Workers in Fallon, Nevada, Need Unionism By an Agricultural Worker

no union of any kind in our community. Wages for agricultural workers are from about \$1.25 to \$2 per day. Housing conditions at most of the ranches are not very good and at some ranches, board is not very good either. A union is desperately need-

FALLON, Nev.—There is

## IRUTH ABOUT FASCIST ITALY

How S.F. Worker Got By Mussolini's Censorship

By a Worker Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO - A little over a year ago, one of two Italian brothers living in North Beach decided to go to Italy. He told his brother: "I'm going to great man there: Mussolini. He is going to conquer the world Many stores signed up with and make all Italians prosperous and rich in land and money."

His brother told him that it was not the first time that Italy, or any other nation with a nut else they would have contracted Then suddenly a telegram came like Mussolini, had conquered with an undertaker too, Or perworking class got out of the conquering was death, suffering and vile living conditions.

"'Great men' like Mussolini are nothing but cruel butchers -tools of the exploiting class, the Fascists," he said. "Therefore, the working class cannot gain anything by their existence.'

He Learned Truth But the other brother did not take his advice, so he went to the land of Mussolini and for one year tried to tell his brother in America how terribly unbearable things are in Italy under the rule of Mussolini, and wrote letter after letter to him telling

But his brother in America did not get any letter, as Mussolini did not want anyone in America to know what a "great

Neat Stratagem

The brother in Italy got tired of waiting for answers from his brother in America, and after a little thinking realized there was something wrong with Mus- of the Charge of the Merchants solini's postal department, so he Brigade, the Noble Four Hunwrote his brother this time a dred, or will they get someone letter telling how wonderful else to do their work for them? Mussolini was, how wonderful Will they, as reported, recruit also wrote: "You know that my purpose? If so, we think it will hobby is collecting stamps. You be quite a jolly sight to see know what wonderful things I these lads, sons of our miners, do with them. Pull the stamps out on the parade grounds learnfor me, as I intend to go back war. to America soon."

Behind the Stamps told him, and he noticed something written on the back of

On one of the stamps was written, "Mussolini is mad." On the second stamp, "Men are slaves here." On the third stamp, "Fascism is hell." And on the fourth, "You were right!"

### Better Wages and Hours Won by

SEATTLE. Wash woke up March 10 to find that California as well as the rest the Cannery Workers and Farm of the country. Laborers Union, Local 18,257 copped another victory for 1937. It is the first time our union "J. M.," which said trade union Mr. Manning just loves our ama Canal and in the meantime the labor hating Mr. Manning. has recognized all collective news, strike news, etc., is rather bargaining agent for scores of dry and tiresome at times. cannery workers within Seattle

The Northwest Food Products while I would like to see a workers had threatened to walk movie column, like he calls for out if their demands for wage to me and to anyone in the increase and better working con- trade union movement, or to any ditions were not met.

The gains won were recognition of the CWFLU, no discrim-Loyalists keep on killing the Ital- ination for union activities, 8attention to labor's side of any current question. I have not been able to learn what hap
attention to labor's side of any tiful California and help the All rives and he has to stay in his pleasant furnished apartment and the pleasant furnished apartment and playground for the rich. Day another month's rent on his pany used better judgment than some around men, 70 cents per hour; pened to The Philistine; for all Well, anyway, that is what he darling house he is going to see Painless Parker when they or more colonies and a lot of dough kettle men, 65 cents; meat cutthinks.

Mr. Manning's Fear

There is just one obstacle in the lid is blown right off the lid is blown right off the lid is blown right off KNX took the friendly comso he won't kill off any people ters, 65 cents; meat cutmore colonies and a lot of dough kettle men, 65 cents; meat cutso he won't kill off any people ters, 65 cents; can catchers, 60 except the Spaniards and the cents; label men, 75 cents; won the rack these last few weeks. There is just one obstacle in too far when nasty old Califin the rack these last few weeks. There is just one obstacle in too far when nasty old Califin the rack these last few weeks. There is just one obstacle in too far when nasty old Califin the Layman disappeared durin the Layman durant durant

The agreement will last until April 30, 1933.

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# GRASS VALLEY

Merchants Brigade Is Planning Anti-Union Army

By a Gold Miner NEVADA CITY, Nevada County-We, the miners of Grass Valley and Nevada City, are reading our daily papers in a mood of increasing amazement and incredulity. We are reading strange things about local merchants that they, men whom we thought our friends, are organizing an army to overpower us

Vigilante Terrorists Only yesterday we learned about formation, or projected formation of a Merchants Brin gade. They plan, we hear, to equip the youth of the country. with deadly weapons, with riot guns, pistols, gas bombs.

To be used against whom? We peaceloving and law-abiding miners are wondering. We are. greatly puzzled as our only crime has been to organize into ...a union of our own choice. We understand our President Franklin D. Roosevelt, does not object to unions. Yet our merchants do! Why?

We understand they will organize an ambulance corps? Apparently they intend only to hospilize us, not to kill us, haps they have. We do not know

How About the Navy? But one thing seems certain. Their preparations must be fair ly complete. Yet they have overlooked a good bet. They have concentrated too much on the infantry angle to exclusion of the

We suggest they purchase that worn-out rusted, cruiser of the Mexican Government, mentioned in the papers, and launch it on Deer Creek or Wolf Creek. Or perhaps Lake Olympia would be

There is another point we should like to have clarified, who will foot the bill for these preparations? Who is going to buy and pay for these machine guns, these riot guns and gas bombs2 Is it the merchants? Or the mine-owners? Or will it be the supervisors of Nevada County who will be called upon to okay funds out of the taxpayers' pockets? This point needs clarifica-

Now, as to the membership of this Brigade. Will we be able when all this is history to speak

the country under his rule. He the high school youth for their off the envelope and save them ing the use of the weapons of

We think their dads, who are working underground in the His brother received the letter mines, shoveling, drilling and this time. He pulled off the timebring slopes and drifts, wint four stamps, as his brother had surely appreciate this picture.

### Worker Replies to J.M. on 'Dryness'

By a Worker Correspondent SAN FRANCISCO-I wanted to write you boys on the "Western" to keep up the good work of improving the paper, as you have been doing. When you pick up the "Western" now and read it, why you

pening in the labor movement I bought my paper Saturday morning and saw a letter signed

get a real picture of what's hap.

Wants More Union News I want to assure J.M. that working man, that union and strike news is far from dry. In fact, it's just what we want, and

more of it, not less. Let me tell J.M. that these strikes and progressive gains in the labor movement are serious business for this country and all can't understand any one considering such news as dry.

The worker correspondence and union news are the most interesting parts of the "Western" to me, and far from dry.

Maybe I'm wrong, but I doubt it. Maybe I, and thousands of workers are wrong, but I doubt

### Special Page of Trade Union News, Developments and Features

The Biggar Bill for a California Industrial Court and Why Labor Is Bitterly Against It; Vigilantism in Placer County; the Big Growth of the San Francisco Department Store Clerks' Union; Phoney Business in Colusa and El Dorado Counties; the Los Angeles Furriers Solid on the Ball Co. Picket Lines; What Happened in Murchie Gold

The Remington-Rand Strikers Win a Long, Long Struggle

### BEGAR INDUSTRIAL COURT PLAN FOR CAL. LABOR GETS BITTER LABOR OPPOSITION

Bill Calling for Compulsory Arbitration Would Outlaw Strikes and Needs Hostile Action on Labor's Part

SACRAMENTO-One of California labor's biggest fights is against the Biggar bill, now before the legislature. The Biggar Bill is nothing but a measure which would outlaw all strikes

through an industrial court. Under the bill, a court of seven members would be set up.

### lintypes

from one of the culinary unions, man would not be a working She huffs and she puffs, like man, but as is always the case, a baby Mack truck climbing a steep hill, when she gets up in served the employers in the our council to blast the Chinese past.) restaurant workers.

She's built like a baby Mack. No personal offense meant; the only reason we mention it is because the girls in her union are emphatically not built like two-ton trucks—not on the wages Mrs. Schallenberger seems con-

tent to let them enjoy. Her pet aversion is Chinese restaurant workers. Not because they refuse to join the unionattack other than the bosses. And bosses are, emphatically, as damages. not the pet aversion of people

### **Murchie Miners** Intimidated

like Mrs. Schallenberger:

NEVADA CITY, Nevada County. - Gold mining employers, scared by the rapid growth of the CIO Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union (Twin Cities Workers Union (Twin Cities Local) were able to prevail on some of the Murchie mine employes to put themselves on recployes to put themselves on record as favoring the present

....They scared a few more into threat that the mine would shut down unless the miners remain-ed content with the present LAW IS SET BACK rates.

The Murchie Mine employs some 300 men. Sentiment of Students Win Freedom After the men in this county is for a 61 a day wage increase.

The CIO union, with 1000 out of 2000 miners in its ranks, will continue the demand for the wage increase.

#### Shelley, Davis for **High Court Change**

SAN FRANCISCO-About 700 San Franciscans attended a People's Lobby mass meet Wednesday, to back the Supreme Court reforms. A.F. Gaynor, state legislative chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks was

John F. Shelley, president of the San Francisco Labor Countold why organized labor backs the Roosevelt supreme ate attempt to misinterpret the court proposals; he told of the issues." reactionary role, played by the present Supreme Court in res-

Samuel May of the University of California; George T. Davis, Contains a Trap Dore of Seattle was unable to

### Raise in Manteca Sugar Wages Made

Sugar Co., but the rapid growth sure would set a precedent on gaining rights for the United of organization among workers governmental supervision and Rubber Workers Union.
generally forced the company to dictation over unions, something grant wage increases of from 5 labor opposes.

Send in news of your to 25 per cent.

Wage increases here and in the Woodland plant went into effect March 16. In a while there will be close

to 300 men working in the Woodland plant. workers against military dicta- industrial democracy," Lewis

DISTRIBERY UNION

\*There would be three from the employers, three from "labor," one "neutral" member, who is

supposed to represent the pub-lic; but as is usual in such cases, this would be just another rep-Mrs. Schallenberger comes resentative of the employers. (It is obvious that the "neutral" PLACER GROWER a prominent attorney who has

#### Dictatorial Power

WON'T SUCCEED

Parts of State

growers in Placer county have

State's Man, Wool

PORTLAND, Ore. - Tommie

Nylander, examiner for the Na

tional Labor Relations Board, in

Oregon Worsted Company, one

of the Northwest's largest mills,

employes in connection with un-

fter a hearing on charges

brought by the United Textile

Workers of America had closed.

Besides finding that the com-

SAN BERNARDINO-San Ber-

sters' Local 467.

RUBBER STRIKE FIRM

AKRON-Ten thousand Fire-

Send in news of your union.

treasurer.

ALDS THE WORKERS OF GUB

on activities.

Co. in Cahoots

The court would be empowered to hear all disputes concern- Plan to Imitate Acts In Other ing wages, hours and working conditions. To enforce its decisions, all state law-enforcement agencies could be used by the industrial court. That means plete loss of the right to strike. from other counties of Califor-If anyone refused to comply nia and have formed the Asso-

're only too anxious. People with the court's orders, his or like Mrs. Schallenberger don't their property could be seized. ty. want Chinese in the union, for This would mean many more "To encourage respect for law while they're not, people like Mrs. Danbury Hatters' cases - in and order" is a so-called aim of Schallenberger have someone to which every last belonging of the organization, which intends union members could be seized to violate law and order by kid-

Even the most reactionary labor officials have joined in bitterly opposing the Biggar plan. Edward Vandeleur, secretary and legislative representative of the State Federation of Labor, is not noted for being liberal, yet he states, "The bill is undoubtedly unconstitutional. Organized labor will oppose any attempt to enforce compulsory arbitration."

Labor. Councils and locals should adopt resolutions against

Supporting Warehousemen

OAKLAND-With Oakland or- William G. Everson, member of ganized labor in a vital cam- a State Board of Conciliation paign to end the anti-picket law Union, had attempted to iron out in the April 20 elections, open- a strike at the company's plant, as they did recently in San tion" with Roy T. Bishop, presi-Francisco a dummy outfit to dent of the company.

Dummy Outfit

League to Prevent Violence." | action each would take." The The title is of course deliberate- board, last December, recomly aimed at creating the impres- mended that charges before "any sion that picketing means vio- other body or court" be droplence and that an end of the ped. anti-picket law would mean more violence.

William Spooner, secretary of S. Berdoo Teamos anti-picketing ordinance, said that the League's formation is regarded by labor "as a deliber-

## Others who spoke were Dr. Strike Vote Bill

SACRAMENTO-Another antilabor bill has been introduced, this time by Senator Garrison here for the charter installation. of Stanislaus County, It would compel secret balloting in strike votes. Object, according to Garrison, is to "prevent leaders from bulldozing members into voting stone Rubber workers here ento strike."



SECRETARY OF Labor Perkins, left, and Asst. Secretary McGrady at a Washington conference with Pres. James B. Rand, Jr., which brought to an end the 10-months-old strike of Remington-Rand workers. Latter fought gallantly on picket lines in six cities where Remington-Rand plants were struck, and won their demands at last by staying solidly together.

### "Point of Order" A TRADE UNION COLUMN

by Slim

Recent Labor Developments and their Meaning; the S.P. Strike Vote; the CIO Vic-AUBURN, Placer County-Big compulsory arbitration and com- borrowed an anti-labor leaf tory in Columbia Steel at Torrance; CIO and Craft Union Relationship; Joint Organization Drives: Buzzell's Attack on Douglas are due to be stung. ciated Farmers of Placer Coun-Settlement; A Move by Green Against Amalgamated Steel Union.

> TTERE ARE SOME of the most recent developments in the ornapings, and other vigilante out-I ganized labor movement, and their significance. rages. "To protect and preserve

> On the Southern Pacific Railroad, the Brotherhood of Rail-American institutions" is another alleged aim-while the organway Trainmen and the Brotherhood of Railway Firemen and Enization aims in actuality to fosginemen have taken strike votes, affecting 8000 men on the ter the un-American institution system, against consistent vio-

> > ations of agreements by the company. The men have been forced to stand for the violations for over a year, having been paralyzed

under the Railway Labor Actu They have at length taken definite action toward solving demning Buzzell for that, and their problem. The bad features of craft un-

ionism are well brought out by the Southern Pacific developdecision rendered, said the comotive Engineers and the Or- cided to go into the steel mills soup for employers' purposes. had intimidated and coerced its .The fuling came a few days that if the situation should come with the A. A.

pany had violated the Wagner Act. Nylander asserted that Dr. are taking the S. P. strike vote, tions as the above should be ployers have to join it. Harvard for the latter's attack your locality.

sit-downs "illegal." The examiner charged that Bishop and the Conciliation They call it the "Oakland Board "knew in advance the sit-down strikes are not illegal. believe in the unity of organiz- mote their own interests. California unions should go on ed labor. record against the Welsh sitdown bill, which under the guise of declaring sit-downs a misdemeanor instead of a felony, put sit-downs on the law books as Brutally Clubbed

> In Torrance, near Los Angeles, the CIO brought over 1000 Columbia steel workers to a whirlorganized, and the company al bluff of this kind, made in an hastened to grant the new un- attempt to trick the workers. nardino's latest union charter is

the one just installed for Team- ion recognition. The new local started off with over 200 members. A. O. May of Long Beach was transferred of Long Beach was transferred porting the organizational drives of strikebrookers and police ing their proper classification by triumph for the CIO. It brings more plants of the California land.

Now was elected off with triumph for the CIO. It brings more plants of the California land.

Packing Corp., upon its refusal which would permit issuance of the California land.

Workers thus organized will hold UAWA membership pending the organizational drives ing their proper classification by revenue bonds to finance acquires and police ing their proper classification by revenue bonds to finance acquires. of the CIO in your areas, mor-Officers of San Diego Local 542 and Long Beach 692 came 100 per cent union.

Steps toward that goal are tered the fourth week of their being taken in San Francisco the pickets and tear gas bombs MANTECA (San Joaquin While many strike votes are county)—It hurt the Spreckels secret, adoption of such a mea-demand of sole collective baring will be held April 3, initiations. ed by the CIO United Auto Workers Union, to discuss ways brutally clubbed down and is and means of unifying the labor suffering from a brain concussion.

CIO and non-CIO unions are Nunes, pickets, were arrested and to take part-a good idea for held "for investigation." Many Williams Heads every locality, as is also the idea other pickets were injured. of joint organizational drives of WASHINGTON (UNS) - The lated with the CIO are acutely CIO and non-CIO unions, now telephoned by indignant citizens sympathy of American labor conscious of and profoundly being started in Johnstown, Pa., A People's Legislative Conference with the struggle of the Cuban sympathetic with the struggle Mansfield, Ohio, Camden, N. delegation will protest to the in Cuba to attain political and J., etc.

# NOT SO GLEVER

Brings Results

COLUSA, Colusa County -

The open shoppers have sign-

The latter will soon find out that organized labor will win them better than that—a hour week with better pay than they are getting under the 40-

The Colusa Building Exchange Buzzell issued a vicious stateadmitted it took the move to ment in the Los Angeles "Citi-

#### gan, attacking the Douglas Aircraft settlement, which grants **Wooden Boxes in** recognition to the CIO Auto Workers Union. Labor Councils ought to pass resolutions con-El Dorado County copies ought to be sent to the

to actual strike, the members of , While craft union members As it is, the lumber compa- too. They are required to re those two brotherhoods would who are progressive should get nies have brought about the for- port at 7 a. m., and work until be ordered to scab on the two their unions to organize their mation of the El Dorado County 6 p. m., for a \$12 a week averwho strike. own jurisdictions 100 per cent, Wooden Box Assn., affiliated age. They have no set time for While A. F. Whitney, presidend CIO unions will back such with the Wooden Box Institute, meals and are allowed to 'grab dent of the same Trainmen who campaigns, such anti-unity ac- and employees as well as em- a lunch' whenever they have a

zation, says its local chairman, within 10 or 15 minutes." on sit-down striker. William The CIO has stated it will not Hugh A. Schaffer, is to "proshop elements have organized, had workers "in close coopera- Green joined the National Assn. infringe on any plant or indus- mote the use of wooden boxes." of Manufacturers in declaring try where a craft has already That should be the job of the office workers. organized the workers. Green bosses, not the workers. What Incidentally, Harvard's law and the executive council are the 1500 men in this county's school dean, Landis, declares not so decent, because they don't mill need is unionization, to pro-

HAYWARD-Company threats an Amalgamated steel lodge was are regarded merely as the usu-

zen," the 'Labor Council's or-

Los Angeles Labor Council.

injuring one picket.

scabs, deputy sheriffs attacked ion. were thrown out of plant win-

Manuel Grace, a strikers, was Antonio F. Cardoza and John County Sheriff Dower is being

county supervisors.

The picket line was from the SCHENLEY, Pa. — The first torship was expressed by John step toward a national distillery L. Lewis, chairman of the Comworkers' union was taken by mittee for Industrial Organiza- tion now in session will preserve bor Council, aped William Green The workers are seeking union liams president. 1500 Schenley Distillery workrs here who affiliated with the Cuban authorities.

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# Carpenters Will Find Union

Open shop building contractors in this county think they have struck on a good idea to fore-

ed an "agreement" for a 5-day, 40-hour week with the carpen-

hour arrangement.

forestall union organization.

PLACERVILLE, El Dorado The dying Structural Iron County-When workers are unments. The Brotherhood of Lo- Workers International has de- organized, they remain duck der of Railway Conductors, and fight the CIO Amalgamated The lumber workers in this refuse to work, the personne themselves victims of the same Assn. for jurisdiction, even county have just found this to manager lays them off for violations, have refused to join though most steel mills have be true. If they were organ- week or two as discipline." in the strike vote, indicating signed recognition agreements ized, they'd be fighting for benefits for themselves.

### Miscellaneous Men and CIO

DETROIT - Unorganized misthat strikers would lose their cellaneous groups of workers de- bill, already passed by the Sen- The fur workers continue to wind meeting. All signed up; jobs unless they return to work siring to be organized, are being ate, on the "grounds" that "pas- picket Maurice Ball's shop and temporarily accepted into the sage of this measure will be have decided to continue until United Automobile Workers of conductive to the upspringing of this firm will grant its workers America, as a result of a decision arrived at during the interters' Local 467.

This represented another great housemen's Union tied up two local started off with triumph for the CIO. It brings housemen's Union tied up two local started off with triumph for the CIO. It brings housemen's Union tied up two local started off with local st

terrorism, deputy sheriffs armed the Committee for Industrial Or- sition and construction of essenally and financially, and trying terrorism, deputy sheriffs armed the Committee for Industrial Or-to work for the setting up of with clubs and tear-gas swooped ganization. The arrangement is tial utilities by municipalities and some kind of an organization down on a picket line in front for unorganized workers desir- other political sub-divisions. committee of both CIO and craft of the California Conserving Co. ing to become part of the trade unions to make your locality plant in Hayward, last Tuesday, union movement, and not for CIO Condemns any dissatisfied groups already As two buses with soaped holding membership in an Amwindows drove up to get 40 erican Federation of Labor un-

> A laboratory and clinic for the study and treatment of occupational disease, especially those related to the auto industry, will be established, it was decided at the same meeting.

#### Gold Miners in Nevada County

NEVADA CITY-Twin Cities law for women, Local 283, Mine, Mill and Smel-

### PHENOMENAL GROWTH OF S. F. DEPT. STORE UNION-OVER 2000 HAVE BECOME MEMBERS

Soon Make Demands on Employers; Aim at 40-Hour Week, \$25 Weekly Minimum Wage, Overtime Pay, 7 Holidays

SAN FRANCISCO-Over 2000 members in less than two months!

That's the astounding record of the new department store employees' group in the Retail Clerks Protective Association. Meetings of the union have been getting larger each time,

with the result that the original hall could no longer hold the department store workers who came in such masses. (Over 2300 Says . .

at latest open mass meetings!) The first closed meeting of the new union will be held April At that time a tentative pro- President Roosevelt with "congram will be adopted, later to tempt of court." be submitted, in final form, to Maybe so. It reminds me of

Aims of the new union are a yer: "Are you trying to show 40-hour week and \$25 weekly your contempt for this court?". minimum wage. Union recogni-"No, your honor; I'm trying tion, time and a half for over- to conceal it." time, seven paid holidays each year are other aims.

Basic Scales A basic minimum scale in im-

portant departments will be drawn up. One of the evils the union will take a crack at is temporary stall union organization, but they work, and another is overtime

> evils: Wait Around for Hours

chance that they may get two or ion. three hours' work." since they are technically on a women. temporary basis, they are not

Overtime work is another mat ter which the unions feel works an injustice particularly on stock room employees, wrappers, and Furriers Firm in room employees, wrappers, and

shipping clerks. "When they are asked to work evenings or on holidays, the only extra pay they get is 50 cents for supper money. If they

"Culinary workers are suffer ers under the present system few slack moments, then are blasted ex-President Lowell of condemned if they happen in The purpose of the organi- frequently called back to wor

The new union is industrial takés in all workers, including

### **Utility Racketeers Fight Bond Bill**

utilities monopilies, which have Local 87, but also the Central racketeered profits out of the Labor Council of our city. The people for decades, tried desper- Los Angeles Citizen, which was ately to block Assembly passage also mentioned as a defendant of the Garrison revenue bond in the injuncition, was dropped racketeers in promotion of rev-collective bargaining, higher enue projects!"

#### L.A. Violations Of Wage Laws

LOS ANGELES—Charging violations of California minimum wage and minimum hour laws for women by Los Angeles employers, the local CIO organization addressed a letter to the county grand jury and demanded | rades need facilities and fur thorough investigation.

organizer, the letter stated that rades and sympathizers to domany employers were violating nate whatever furniture and the \$16 a week minimum wage office equipment you have and 48-hour a week maximum to the waterfront comrades.

CLERKS STRIKE

AKRON, O.—Nine department stores were closed by a strike

### Business Agent Bob

The Liberty League charges

the time a judge said to a law-

### Under Fire, Gov. Reappoints Her

SACRAMENTO - Despite the work. Carmen Lucia, who with fact that an Assembly committee Marion Brown is organizer for on ways and means has begun the new union, says of these an investigation of the past administration of Mrs. Mabel E. Kenney, Governor Merriam has "Temporary workers are asked reappointed her as chief of the to come in every day, on the State Industrial Welfare Divis-

Named in 1933 by Governor "Sometimes they sit and wait Rolph, she is charged by Asfour to five hours—then have no semblyman Gardiner Jackson of work. Other temporary work- Berkeley with having failed to ers are employed every day, but enforce minimum wage law for

She has admitted allowing two eligible to vacations with pay, agents of a private manufacturstore discounts, or paid holi- ers' association to serve as state

LOS ANGELES—Readers are already informed about the fight which the fur workers are conducting against the Maurice Ball fur establishment at 424 W. 7th St., Los Angeles, Since the general strike of Aug. 5, 1936, this firm has done everything to keep down the standards of the fur workers and consistently re-

fused collective bargaining. To stop the union activities, Maurice Ball applied for an injunction in December, 1936, and was granted a temporary restraining order by Judge Rubin Schmidt. The hearing on this injunction started March 10 and continued for five days. Judge Vickers took the case under advisement. After briefs are presented to him by the attorneys of both sides, the verdict will come in a few weeks.

This injunction involved not SACRAMENTO-Huge public only the Fur Workers' Union,

wages and shorter hours-to

#### Section Appeals For Furniture

After the successful waterfront strike, our comrades on the waterfront decided to put the Party section on the map and further its obganizational work and build a mass Party organization.

As one of its first steps the Waterfront Section just rented a Party headquarters. In order to get this headquarters functioning, the comniture. Through The Western Signed by Bill Busick, ILGWU | Worker we appeal to all com-

Telephone the county office at 121 Haight St., to Comrade Spector, and let us know what you can donate for this all-important purpose.—Waterfront Section, San Francisco.